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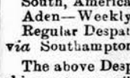

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Baroda, Fadnis Office, 20th June, 1898.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
NOTICE.

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T. S. WEIR,
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Further particulars together with the schedules of the different articles required, will be published in July, 1898, in Official Gazettes of Burma, Bengal, Madras, Bombay, and the North-West Provinces.

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed forms. Copies of the Forms and all particulars regarding the contract can be obtained on application to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police for Supply and Clothing, Burma, Rangoon.

H. W. CAMPBELL, Captain,
Depy. Inspr.-Genl. of Police for Supply and Clothing.

Rangoon, the 31st May, 1898.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEWZEALAND NORTHERN JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

In the matter of "The Trustees Act 1883" and it amendments and of JOHN LEITH late of Woodside in the Provincial Districts of Auckland and Colony of Newzealand Gentleman deceased intestate.

PURSUANT to an order of the Supreme Court of Newzealant in its Northern Judicial District at Auckland in the saidColony of Newzealand under the hand of EDWARD TENNYSON GONOLLY Esquire a Judge of the said Supreme Court of Newzealant at Auckland aforesaid dated the 19th day of April 1898. IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED AND ORDERED thatthe Creditors of the abovenamed JOHN LEITH (who died at Auckland aforesaid on the 21st day of March 18 6) and any person or persons claiming to be the lawful widow or child or children or next of kin of the said John Leith deceased do within Six Calendar months from the date of the said order to wit the 19th day of April 1898 that is not later than the 19th day of October 1898 send in their names and adresses and the particulars of their debts and claims or their relationship to the said John Leith deceased to Alexander Leith of Parnell near the City of Auckland in the said Colony of Newzealand Farmer the administrator of the estate of the said John Leith deceased or to Messieurs LITTLE & CO. of the Old Secretariat Apollo Street Bombay in India the lawfully appointed Agents of the said Alexander Leith AND it is hereby further notified and ordered that if after the said period of Six Calendar months above mentioned has expired no claim or claims shall have been received by the said Alexander Leith as such Administrator or his said lawfully appointed Agents in Bombay aforesaid from any person or persons claiming to be the lawful widow or child or children or next of kin of the said John Leith deceased or a Creditor of the said John Leith deceased then that the said Alexander Leith as such administrator as aforesaid shall pay and hand over to one Agnes Leith of Borgue, Dunbeath in the County of Caithness in Scotland claiming to be the only legitimate and female child of the said John Leith deceased the net assets of the estate and effects of the said John Leith deceased. It is hereby further notified that the said John Leith deceased above referred to was an Engine Driver by profession and was resident at Bhosawal, Sholapur and Kirkee respectively in the Bombay Presidency in India between the years 1882 and 1899.

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Bombay, 25th February, 1897.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT FORT WILLIAM IN BENGAL.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

In the Matter of the Indian Companies Acts 1882 and 1:95

AND

In the Matter of the BENGAL SPINNING and WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Sun rises, 5h. 24m. Sun sets, 6h. 39m. High water, 1-21m., 1-55a. Low water, 7-5a., 8-9m. Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer Hochheimer entered and the steamer Duke of York left the dock on Tuesday, and the steamer Lorenzo left it yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamers Dumra and Poseidon entered and the steamer Algoa, left the dock yesterday.

POLO.—There will be a game at 4-45 p.m. (weather permitting.)

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Colombo, the Straits, China, and Japan, per extra s. s. Maria Valeri, will be closed at the General Post Office at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

A MISSING LIFE-BOAT.—Mr. Swanson, Chief engineer of the steamship Afghan, has reported to the police that a life-boat, which had been tied astern, was found missing on the morning of the 15th June. He believes the boat broke adrift, owing to the heavy sea which was running at the time.

REPORTED THEFT.—A report has been made by Shewram Bapoo, a Hindu, residing in a hut at Tank Bunder, that some time during his absence from home, on Tuesday last, four gold buttons and a gold bead, valued at Rs. 30, and Rs. 68-8 in cash were stolen from a box, the lock of which was broken open.

ACCIDENT TO A MILL-HAND.—Gainoo Bhow, aged twenty years, a mill-hand, employed in the Colaba Mill, was, on Tuesday last, removing cotton from a machine, which was in motion, when his right hand was caught in the machinery and drawn in. He was extricated and removed to the Goculdas Tejpal hospital, where it was found necessary to amputate the injured limb.

AN ACCUSED DISCHARGED.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. I. H. Dastur, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which J. De Silva charged L. Dias, a post office clerk, with embezzling Rs. 72. The accused was represented by Mr. Hugh Sealy, pleader. After hearing the arguments of Mr. Sealy, his Worship discharged the accused, remarking that there were many discrepancies and contradictory statements in the evidence.

BOMBAY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LD.—At an extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of the above company, held yesterday afternoon at its registered office, No. 10 Hummum Street, Fort, under the Presidency of Mr. Bumonji Dinshaw Petit, the following special resolution, was passed at the general meeting held on the 26 ultimo, was confirmed viz. "That Article 94 of the Articles of association of the company be amended by inserting the word "Agents" between the words "Secretaries" and the words "or Solicitors."

GYMKHANA FOOTBALL.—There will be a practice game this evening, wet or fine, to commence at 5-30, sharp. The following are the teams:—Colours—(Full Back)—Vining-3-1.; Tucker— Richards, Moore; Gray; 1-2 back—Garwood, Worcester, Forwards—Christie; Dodgson, Edie Economo—Waller, Wood, Murray, Turner. (White-) Full Back—Kemp; 3-4—Vines, Skene, Thornton Tosh; 1-2 back—Scott; Williamson, Forwards Farewell.—Wilson 'Selkirk, Humphrey, Pickering, Kinaham, Strong, Daldy, Sheepshanks, Burton, Grover. Members playing in white who have colours might bring them with them.

PECUNIARY DIFFICULTIES AND SUICIDE.—A coroner's inquiry was held yesterday, at Ferguson Road, on view of the body of Succaram Baboo, aged twenty-five years, a labourer employed in the Presidency Mill, and lodging with one Vishnoo Hurry, at Ferguson Road deceased was very irregular in attending his work at the mill, and in consequence he was suspended from duty about four or five days previously. He was also in debt and had not paid anything for board and lodging for the last two months. On Monday, Vishnu advised him to go to the mill and apply to the manager to employ him again in the mill. Deceased left home quite sullen and sad, and was not subsequently seen alive. A search was made, but he was not found until Tuesday afternoon, when his dead body was seen floating in the hot water tank of the Star of India Mill. The body was removed out of the tank. It was much decomposed, but bore no marks of violence. A verdict of suicide was recorded.

KNOCKED DOWN AND KILLED BY A RAILWAY ENGINE.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at the J. J. Hospital, touching the death of Papa Sulleman, aged thirty-five years, a hamal employed under a contractor and working at the goods yard of the G. I. P. Railway company at Wari Bunder. On the afternoon of the 13th instant, deceased was walking along the right hand side of the down line between the Musjid Bunder and Mazagon stations. He was carrying an open umbrella as it was raining heavily, and was walking leisurely towards Mazagon. Just then a down local train came up, and the driver noticed the deceased, while the engine was only six paces away from him. The driver blew the steam whistle and put on the automatic brake, but before he could pull up the buffer beam struck the man on the left arm and knocked him down. After the train had been brought to a standstill the driver got down from the engine, picked the deceased up and carried him by the train to the Mazagon station, whence he was removed to the J. J. Hospital. On examination at the hospital, deceased was found to have sustained a compound fracture of the left forearm and several contused wounds on the body. He was detained under treatment, but on the following day lock-jaw set in, followed by tetanus, which terminated fatally on Tuesday. A verdict of accidental death in accordance with the above facts was returned by the jury.

INVEIGLED INTO A BAGATELLE ROOM AND ROBBED.—Before Mr. Webb, Acting Second Presidency Magistrate at the Mazagon Police court, yesterday, Luxgowind Jetha, a resident of Broach, was charged with stealing Rs. 10 in cash from the person of Pandoo Chimnaji. The complainant who is a fitter by profession, arrived in Bombay from his native country on Sunday, and put up in a dharamsalla, at Falkland Road. On the day after his arrival he went on a visit to his master, at his residence at New Wady, and while on his way back to the dharamsala, the accused, who was employed as a table boy in a bagatelle room on the Falkland Road, met him and induced him to accompany him into the room. The complainant stood near the table, looking on the game with a curiosity, when accused noticed some money tied up in a dhotur round the complainant's waist. Suddenly the accused pulled the complainant's dhotur off, with the result that all the money dropped down on the ground. Immediately complainant stooped down and picked up Rs. 9 out of Rs. 19, while the accused managed to get hold of the balance and passed it on to his friend, who immediately disappeared from the place. The complainant raised an alarm, which brought the police on the spot. The accused was secured, but the money was not recovered. The magistrate sentenced the accused to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Strachey presided at a sitting of the court yesterday.

RE BOMANJI JAMSETJEE.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained the usual interim order.

RE LADHA SUNDERJEE.

Mr. D. D. Davur, on behalf of a creditor, moved for the examination of the insolvent, his son, Vasanjee Madan, and others under section 33 of the Insolvency Act. The learned counsel read the affidavit of the creditor which, among other things, stated that the insolvent had concealed a considerable amount of his property and had the audacity to execute a deed of mortgage in favour of a creditor some three months after filing his petition. His lordship granted the application and fixed the hearing three weeks hence.

RE G. J. JORDON.

Mr. Kothare, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained two months' extension of the interim order.

A GENTLEMAN, who was very particular about the getting up of his linen, once wrote a note to his laundress, and, at the same time, to the object of his affections. Unfortunately he put the wrong addresses on the envelopes and posted them. The laundress was not in the least offended, but a little puzzled; but when the lady of his choice read, "If you continue to scrumple up my shirt fronts and drag the buttons off my collars, I shall have to go elsewhere," she cried all the evening, and vowed she would never speak to him again.

AN undergraduate was "hauled" by his tutor for disregarding a college rule and keeping a barrel of beer in the college, when the following dialogue took place: Tutor: "I hear, Mr. J., that you have a barrel of beer in your rooms! Are you not aware that you are breaking a rule of the college?" Undergrad: "Yes, Sir, I'm aware of it, but I have been ordered beer by the doctor, and it's wonderful what a change there is already. That barrel only came to me a few days ago. I couldn't lift it then, but now I could carry it anywhere."

PARSEE CHIEF MATRIMONIAL COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Fulton presided at a sitting of the court yesterday, when the case of Dhunbai against Cursetjee Nusserwanjee Rana was heard before his lordship and eleven delegates.

The plaintiff, who is the wife of the defendant, sued to obtain a decree for judicial separation from the defendant on the grounds of cruelty and misconduct. Mr. Dadysett and Mr. Ghamat, barristers-at-law, instructed by Mr. R. Dadachanjee, appeared for the complainant, the defendant appearing in person.

The plaintiff's case, as opened by Mr. Dadysett, went to show that she was married to the defendant at Bombay on 17th December, 1881, according to the rites and usages of the Parsees, the plaintiff then being 18, and the defendant about 27 years of age. Within a week of their marriage, the defendant began to ill-treat and assault his wife, and a short time afterwards he attempted to poison her, and though the occurrence came to the knowledge of the police, the matter was hushed up at the earnest solicitation of the defendant. The defendant's ill-treatment continued till July 1882, and he afterwards turned his wife out of his house, the latter residing since with her mother. The defendant continued to harass and annoy his wife by writing anonymous letters to her and her mother, and though a charge of criminal intimidation was brought against him by the plaintiff, it was afterwards compounded through the interference of relations, who also succeeded in persuading them to live together again as husband and wife. The defendant systematically ill-treated the plaintiff and frequently turned her and the male child that was born to her out of his house.

The defendant's case was that he never ill-treated or assaulted his wife or attempted to poison her. The plaintiff, on the contrary, attempted to poison him. The plaintiff was not turned out of his house, but she left his protection, as he was not in a position to satisfy her extravagant demands. He denied having ever assaulted his wife with a knife, or giving himself up to drink. He further denied being guilty of cruelty, and stated that the cruelty, if any, had been condoned by the plaintiff by her subsequent conduct, and by reason of her *laches* and delay in not filing the suit earlier she had disentitled herself to any relief. The plaintiff had been instigated by certain designing persons to file this suit and disgrace him.

At the close of the case Mr. Dadysett addressed the court, after which his Lordship summed up the evidence briefly. The delegates, by a majority of ten to one, found the charge of cruelty proved, and his Lordship, agreeing, with the finding passed a decree for judicial separation, with costs.

HIGH COURT.—JUNE 23.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice STRACHEY.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Originating summons to be heard in court.

101-98—F P Pavri—Hirjibhoy Cursetjee Bhandupwalla vs Burjorjee Framjee Ashburner and others—F R and K Crawford B and Co, Manaukdal D and J, and Ardesir H and D.

Commercial Causes.

137-98—Crawford B and Co—The Steam Ship Kasala Co, Ld, and others vs Devourun Nanjee—Roughton and B.

212-93—Roughton and B—The Bombay Tramway Co, Ld, vs Ranjee Tajibai.

11-98—Bicknell M and M—Ahmedjee Moomanjee vs Fidahoosein Mahomedally.

228-98—Tyabjee D and Co—Saoganchand Sewdas and others vs Donuram Goolachand—Dikshit and D.

Postponed Long Causes.

509-96—Payne G and S—Nathoo Kerra vs Dhunbaijee and and others—Wadia and G.

402-96—Magaalal and R—Harishanker Makund vs Luxmidal and others—Nanu and H Edgelow and G. Tyabji Ld and C, and Dikshit and D

450-25,768-95—R S Brown and Co for pauper—Henry Langford vs Hajee Cassum Joosub—Smetham B and N.

451-25,769-96—R S Brown and Co—Edward Alfred King vs Hajee Cassum Joosub—Smetham B and N.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Postponed Long Causes.

314-97—Craigie L and O—La Societe Generale Mercantile vs Merali Currumjee and others—Payne G and S, and Wadia and G.

552-96—Ardesir H and D—Dadabhoy Pestonjee Shroff vs Nusserwanjee Ardesir Hormasjee and others—Wadia and G

554-93—Ardesir H and D—Dadabhoy Pestonjee Shroff vs Khimjee Jairam Narronjee and others—Thackurdas D C and H

37-97—Dikshit and D—Dawood Oomar and another vs Aishabai and another—Payne G and S.

676-93—Thakurdas D and C—Abdoola Hajee Dawood vs Baldevdas Guneshdas and others.

607-96—Thakurdas D and C—Abdoola Hajee Dawood vs. Baldevdas Guneshdas and others.

387-97—Magaalal and R—Dhunjeebhoy Sorabjee Malegamwalla vs Dossabhoy Merwanjee Hirana—Janardhan and A.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice FULTON.

For Investigation of Pauperism.

27-98—In person—Nurbadasal vs Bhawoo Mallari—Janardhan and A.

23-98—In person—Kawleshwar Sahadeo vs Devigoolam Jallaprasad

13-98—In person—Shaik Moosa Oosman vs Oomer Essey—Matubhai and J

For further argument on the question of the final decree.

572-97—Crawford B and Co—Dadabhoy Dhunjeebhoy Chamarbagwalla vs Keshow Narayen Soavri.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Postponed Long Causes.

591-97—Dikshit and D—Bhabhoy Kuraschand vs Tyabali Jafferjee—Fraser and D—Part heard.

278-95—F P Pavri for plantiff, a pauper—Cawasjee Pallonjee Kharegait vs Eduljee Hormasjee Kharegatt and another—Wadia and G.

55-98—Janardhan and—Card Wartinburg vs Raja Bihadur Musawir and others—H J R Hemming.

62-97—Roughton and B—Dewjee Ramjee and others vs Bai Villasai Mahadev V.

529-96—Edgelow and G—Hassam Hajee Moosa vs Dawood Latiff and others—Ardasir H and D.

578-96—Pestonjee R and K—Cowasjee Shapurjee Mehta vs Lullubhoy Chaggandas and another—Edgelow and G and Wanchali D and J.

419-97—In person—Sanagappa Appia vs Ramaswami Mirappa—Parth ard.

291-97—In person—Thakur Oomar Ludha vs Thakur Kanjee Ludha—Hiralal M and M.

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Branksome Hall s, Liverpool—150 pieces white goodsforeign

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Johannesberger s, Hamburg and Bremen—199 cv iron bar etc

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Dumra s, Bombay—12 pieces white goods foreign and 11 pieces prints foreign

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Rufford Hall s—Liverpool—549 pieces white goods foreign and 120 pieces prints foreign

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Lismore s, London—4 pieces white goods foreign, 17 cwt iron bar, etc

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Bahadurl s, 90 pieces white goods foreign 50 pieces white goods Indian, 115 pieces prints Indian

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THE PLAGUE IN CALCUTTA.

SATURDAY'S STATISTICS.

THE geal death-rate on Saturday in the city was 33, as compared with 50, the average of the preceding fivears. The highest death-rate was 7 in Ward 8 compared with 4. the average of the previous years. There were no seizures on Saturday. Th were two deaths in Ward 8. The total seizures to date have been 123; and the total deaths 9[illegible]

SUNDAY STATISTICS.

The geal death-rate on Sunday in the city was 37, compd with 50, the avarage of the preceding five years The highest death-rate was 7 in Ward 8 as compd with 4. the average of the previous five yea There were 2 seizures—1 in Ward 9 and 1 in Ward 10. There was 1 death in Ward 9. The al seizures up to date have been 125 and the al deaths 93. The seizure in Ward 9 was that of aman, who died at 14 Arcooly Lane, and the seizure in Ward 10 was that of Kali Basik, living at 6, Naatna's Gully, Baparitolle. He was removed to the Meal College Hospital. Both these cases were reported by the Principal of the Medical College Hospital

FRESH SEIZURES.

On Thday a woman of the Mug caste, living at 21-2, Bo Bazaar Lane, was reported to be ill, and she died following day. The police had the body removed to the morgue, and the "post mortem" examinaon disclosed that she died of plague.

INOCULATIONS.

One hdred and twenty-eight inoculations were performon Saturday at the Health Office, several European Buddhists, Hindoos, and Mahomedans being among the number. Dr. Cook performed the operations assisted by Doctors Dutt, Ghose, and Mitra. In t morning thirteen men of the family of Haji Ali Mahomed Shirazi, son of the late Haji Karbalai Mahomed Khan Shirazi, including his three sons namely, Mirza Mahomed Taqi, Mirza Mahomed Sadiq, and Mirza Mahomed Kazim, of 10, Portuguo Church Street, were inoculated by Dr. Cook, Miss Christie (translating the Zenana member Dr. (Miss) Christie on Saturday inoculated the male members of the family of Moulvie Abdul Kai, Assistant Inspector of Schools, at 13-1, Wellesley Square. The Moulvie and his sons were inoculated some days earlier by Dr. Cook. An application hbeen received from Nawab Pyari Saheb, of 33, Bedan Bagan, Kidderpore, a brother of Prince Iza Raushan Gowhur Karim Ali, Bahadoor, to oculate about a hundred people at the house of awab Nur Afroz Mahal Saheba.

THE EXODUS.

Arriv and departures during the 24 hours to midnight Friday: Howrah: departures—69 excess of norm arrivals, —1,251 short of normal, Sealdah: departu, 1,214 short of normal; arrivals, 817 excess of norm.

Arriv and departures during 24 hours to midnight saturday:—Howrah—Departures 672, excess of normarrivals 174, excess of normal. Sealdah—Departs 4, excess of normal arrivals 1,322, excess of norm.

HOSPITAL RETURNS.

There were up on Saturday morning eight cases of plague the Medical College, two at the Campbel Hospit one at the Mayo Hospital, and one at Manikta Hospital.

MOWLA ALI'S DURGA.

Owing to a case of plague from Mowla Ali's Durga, over twoty shops in the vicinity have been closed. The neibouring shop-keepers have since pititioned the Commissioner of Police, complaining of a nuisan from these closed up shops, from which a verystrong and nasty smell was emanating. The Commissioner, Mr. James, referred the matter to the chairman of the Corporation, Mr. James offering to give every police assistance. Dr. Clemow went to inspect the Mowla Ali Bazaar, where the Rev. Cordan and some members of the Vigilance Commee explained the usefulness of disinfection of the sts in the bazaar, and the vendors of various stalls oressed their willingness to disinfect their shops ily. The sircar of the bazaar gave Dr. Clemo to understand that he would supply the pheny and other disinfectants.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVAL.—JUNE 21.

BarneSurgn-Capt, Bo, I M S, to rejoin Command, from Lan&otal

DEPARTURES.—JUNE 21.

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Lawrie, Lt, Bengal, 1st S W Borderers, on duty, from Ghoar

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Under instructions from the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell, for removal, by Public Auction, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 23rd June, 1898, at 4 p.m., on the premises, the whole of the materials of the undermentioned Dhobi Talao buildings, viz. :—
Lot No 1. House No 24-30, Girgaum Road.
" 2 " No 86 Sonapur Street.
" 3 " No 88 "
For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.
SALE OF THE VICTORIA ROLLER FLOUR MILL'S MACHINERY, PATENT BISCUIT TRAVELLING OVEN, CORRUGATED IRON ROOFS, etc.
By order of the liquidators of the Victoria Roller Flour Mills, Ld. (in Liquidation), Messrs MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 4th proximo, at 2 p.m., on the Mill premises at Grant Road,
Machinery consisting of Flour Milling and Wheat Cleaning, such as Roller Mills and Spare Rollers, Automatic Flour and Bran Packers, Centrifugals, Reels, Purifiers, Blowers, Brush, Machines, Cockle Cylinders, Wheat Separator, Bran Duster, Elevators, Worms, Shaftings, Pulleys, Pedestals, Leather Beltings, Beam scale and Weights, etc.
Also, for removal, one Patent Biscuit Travelling Oven and three other Ovens, almost new, Corrugated Iron Roofs, etc.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 23rd June, 1898.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 22.

THERE was no change yesterday in the London financial quotations, the previous day's levelling maintained throughout, viz. : 111 3-16 for Consols, 102 1-2 for French Rentes, 113 for Indian 3½ Loan, 25·27 frcs. for Paris Exchange on London, £62 7-16 for 3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Securities, 16-8d. for Exchange on India at 30 days' sight ; and 1-8d. per oz. for Bar Silver. In New York the market was 1 cent higher, at 58 3-4 cents per oz., and demand Exchange on London 1-4 cent lower at 4·85 1-4 dollars. Braziers' Copper was quoted at £58 ; and Yellow Metal at £5.

The quotation for White Karachi Wheat was 30s., June-July shipment, to Hull, sellers via the Canal ; for Red Karachi, 29 1-4s., same shipment, to the same port, sellers via the Canal. Brown Rapeseed was quoted at 34 3-4s. per 416 lbs., June-July shipment, to Dunkirk, sellers via the Canal, tone of the market steady ; and Linseed at 36 1-4s. per 424 lbs. July-August shipment, to Havre, Antwerp, and Dunkirk, business done via the Canal, in a flat market.

The Manchester market was quiet in twist and quotations closed at 3s. 11d., for 38 in. 7lbs. Shngs ; 4s. 6d., for 38 in, 8 1-4lbs. Shirtings ; 6 1-2d., 40s., Mule Twist ; 1s. 10 1-2d., for 37 in. 20lbs. Cacets ; 2s., for 42 in. 20lbs. Shirtings ; 6 1-2d., 40s., Mule Twist ; 1s. 10 1-2d., for 37 in. 20lbs. Jacets ; 2s., for 42 in. 20lbs. Shirtings ; 6 1-2d., 40s., Mule Twist ; 1s. 10 1-2d., for 37 in. 20lbs. Cacets ; 2s., for 42 in. 20lbs. Shirtings ; 6 1-2d., 40s., Mule Twist ; 1s. 10 1-2d., for 37 in. 20lbs. J

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE HISPANO-AMERICAN WAR.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

LONDON, JUNE 22.

The Spanish papers continue to discuss the question of arranging terms of peace.

The Ministerial organ *Correo* dwells upon the injury the war is causing to the trade and industry of Spain.

AMERICAN ANNEXATION OF CONQUERED TERRITORY STRONGLY CONDEMNED.

Ex-President Cleveland, in a speech at Princeton University, strongly condemned the idea of American annexation of territory through conquest.

THE INVASION OF CUBA.

FIERCE FIGHTING EXPECTED.

JUNE 21.

Nothing has transpired as to the locality or the date of the landing of the American Army at Santiago de Cuba.

Fierce fighting is certain to take place as the Spaniards are able to concentrate 45,000 men at any point in the vicinity of Santiago.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF MARSHAL BLANCO.

The "New York World" reports that an attempt was made by a volunteer named Salva in Havana to assassinate Marshal Blanco, who was shot in the leg but was only slightly wounded.

CAPE POLITICS.

JUNE 22.

The Cape Parliament has passed the second reading of the Redistribution of Seats Bill, which is a victory for the Rhodes party over the Dutch Afrikanders.

THE FRENCH MINISTERIAL CRISIS.

JUNE 21.

M. Sarrien has failed to form a new Ministry.

DISASTER AT THE LAUNCHING OF A WARSHIP.

The first-class Battleship Albion was successfully launched by H. R. H. the Duchess of York to-day at Blackwall, but the displacement of the water caused a huge wave which overwhelmed a staging on which some 300 spectators, chiefly of the working class, had assembled to witness the ceremony.

It is feared that sixty persons were drowned. Thirty-four bodies have already been recovered.

LATER.

H. R. H. the Duke of York has wired his sympathy to the relatives of the victims of the disaster at the launching of the battleship Albion, who were mostly the wives and daughters of the Dockyard hands, and who flocked to the staging to witness the ceremony, notwithstanding the prohibition of the officials in charge.

THE ADVANCE TO KHARTOUM.

JUNE 21.

Sirdar Kitchener, with most of his officers, has started for the front and will not return till Omdurman falls.

The Khalifa has decided to concentrate his forces ten miles to the north of Omdurman and there await the arrival of the Anglo-Egyptian troops.

MILITARY POSTINGS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JUNE 22.

Commander-in-Chief's orders :—Lieutenant K. Wigram, 28th Bo. Pioneers, to be officiating Wing Officer, 2nd Battalion 2nd Gurkhas.

Lieutenant E. F. Orton to be Wing Officer, 25th Bombay Infantry, vice Parker, appointed Wing Commander.

SALE OF OPIUM FOR THE YEAR 1899.

It is notified that not more than 40,800 chests of Bengal opium will be offered for sale in calendar year 1899, and not more than 3,400 in each month, 1,950 chests in each month being Benares and 1,450 Patna opium. No reduction in these quantities will be made without three months, notice.

GRANT OF COMPASSIONATE ALLOWANCE TO WIDOW OF MR. ROSS.

LAHORE JUNE, 22.

The Queen's Government has granted compassionate allowance of one hundred a month to the widow and daughters of Mr. Ross, Head Clerk of the Deputy Commissioner's office, Peshawar, who was murdered in Diamond Jubilee week last year in Peshawar, Main Bazaar. The amount granted is more than Mr. Ross had qualified for.

SUICIDE BY A SOLDIER OF THE HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT AT MULTAN.

Private Thomas Young, of the Hampshire Regiment, committed suicide at Multan on Monday, by cutting his throat with a razor. At about 5-30 a.m., some men went into the lavatory, and found deceased lying in a pool of blood with a razor in the right hand. Life was scarcely extinct at the time, and the body was still warm. There were no signs of violence or struggle visible on his person or clothes or about the place to suggest foul play. The great heat of the last few days had affected the man. The deceased was to have left for Dalhousie the very day the deed was committed.

MAIL AND TONGA SERVICE BETWEEN PESHAWAR AND LANDI KOTAL.

The following arrangements for mail and tonga service between Peshawar and Landi Kotal came into force on Monday. The pass will be kept open for four days in the week, Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, on remaining three days Khyber Rifles will guard road for passage of mail tonga only. The guards will be withdrawn when the mail tonga has passed on. In these three days passenger tongas may accompany mail tongas, but will not be allowed to travel up or down the pass at any other hour; also on these three days the pass will be closed to all other traffic.

PLAGUE AT HUBLI.

BANGALORE, JUNE 22.

The plague authority reports seven indigenous plague cases on the 16th inst., five on 18th and three on 19th at Hubli, Mysore border.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, JUNE 21.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Himalaya arrived here from Colombo this afternoon.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macdonald arrived here from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, yesterday evening.

HONGKONG, JUNE 22.

The P and O Company's steamer Java left here this afternoon for London direct.

COLOMBO, JUNE 22.

Mail steamer Britania, from Australia arrived.

French mail steamer Melbourne, from Suez arrived.

The Messageries Maritimes Company's steamer Indus which left Bombay on 7th June arrived at Marseilles on Tuesday, the 21st Inst., at 4 p.m.

The N. Y. K. steamer Idzumi Maru left Singapore for Colombo on 22nd instant.

FROCKS AND FASHIONS.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JUNE 3.

I AM one of those contented people who love my London very dearly and think there is no place like England and home; but this week has been a trial even to my affection. The weather has been so absolutely and entirely awful—it has thought nothing of raining 48 hours at a stretch—and for dirt and mud, as a racing friend of mine remarked, "Hyde Park was capable of giving a country lasse two stone and a beating easy." The flowers I told you of as being so marvellously beautiful are drowned, and pretty frocks are wearing out and wasting their sweetness in cupboards, waiting for sunshine to burst forth in all their splendour. Well, we must be patient, it can't go on like this for ever, I suppose.

Spring is responsible for many things besides cold east winds and rain. We all know the lines, "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love"; but also so do the thoughts of Mr. Thomas Cat, who while singing his nocturnal song to the lady of his choice, is capable of making himself and his love affairs extremely unpleasant to would-be sleeping mortals. Just now while the nightingales rich mellow tones are delighting the ears of our country friends, the London cats are simply too dreadful, they wail above us like lost souls on the roof and they wage fierce and savage warfare in our areas. One's natural impulse is to hurl jugs of water—boots, or indeed any thing handy at the offenders; but as I suppose no one was ever really proved to have hit a cat in the dead of night, it is best not to risk injuring our property by resorting to these extreme measures but to wait with what patience we may "till the clouds (of cats) roll by."

Of course, a great many of our thoughts and a good deal of our conversation has been about the grand old Statesman who has just passed away. I think, perhaps, nothing in his whole life has been more splendid than the way he has borne all his long illness with its attendant severe pain and great weakness, and one of the results of his protracted suffering has been the absolute passing away of all personal animosity. His bitterest political adversaries now most cordially join with his staunchest friends in hailing Mr. Gladstone as "the greatest Statesman of our time and nation." His coffin is at the time I write lying at Westminster Hall, where it is being viewed by throngs of people.

In anticipation of a public funeral the London shops were distinctly gloomy, and Jays returned to its pristine blackness and is showing none of those delightful lavender, dove or grey colours with which we have of late years been so charmed for half mourning, I saw the other day a simple dress which greatly took my fancy. It was grey's nuns veiling, the bodice corded with a distance of a couple of inches between the cords, the sleeves and upper part of the skirt corded in the same manner. The bodice was open in front to show a waistcoat of thick white satin and down each side of the waistcoat were six large Dresden China buttons, inside the waistcoat was a cravat and cascade jabot of cream painted lace, the waist-band was white satin a large black hat with waving ostrich plumes completed the costume, which was worn by a very bright, happy looking girl. A charming gown which a friend of mine hopes soon to be able to wear (weather permitting), is of white gauze flowered with blue. All the way up, the skirt is diagonally barred with bands of insertion, edged on both sides with narrow ruffles of white chiffon. The bodice is trimmed to match and the sleeves are of gauze finely pleated all the way down. A frill of lace finishes off the skirt and a full lace cravat the bodice. The hat is black, with a black velvet bow and soft white plumes. Beneath the brim nestle cherries, and this reminds me to tell you that cherries are the fancy of the moment in Paris. They are seen everywhere. Bunches of them adorn evening dresses and form part of the trimmings on every sort of hat.

I enjoyed the concert at Stafford House very much last week—it was given in aid of the Charing Cross Hospital Convalescent Home. The music was very good, and I was especially pleased with Miss Gertrude Kingston, who showed us in a dialogue that the real moral of life is that "She who loves and runs away, *can't* hope to love another day." Miss Kingston wore a skirt of grey soile, with applique of grey glace, a little coat of grey glace, with a white vest and a yellow lace yoke. She was crowned by a black hat with many featheres. Cissie Loftus was there too, and delighted us all by her imitations. How splendid she is, I would really give up almost anything to go and see her. She amuses me so enormously. I found myself surrounded by Duchesses on all sides. I never met a larger number in one room, the Duchess of York was, of course, the centre of attraction, her Royal Highness was looking well, but I like her appearance best in bright colours. The Duchess of Portland looked as usual most charming in a costume of grey, with here and there touches of blue, and of course her Malmaison carnations.

A friend of mine went the other day to the Duchess of Marlborough's party at the Grafton Galleries. She tells me the refreshment tables were charmingly decked with smilax and yellow, and white blooms. The special table where the highly favoured supped was even more lavishly decorated with flowers. The tone, however, was still full yellow, and the Duchess wore a beautiful yellow gown, veiled with lace, and held in at the waist by her famous diamond belt.

London houses are just now redolent of roses, of course the majority of society people have country houses, and these lovely roses are sent up several times a week and you meet them at every turn in the drawing room, and at dinner they are often arranged, massed together in a low tripod in the centre of the table filling smaller vases at either end and scattered too about the cloth. Giant mignonette is in prime condition this season, and is being largely introduced into rooms. At an "At Home" the other afternoon, all the approaches to the reception rooms were lined with it, and the perfume was simply delicious and not over powering like the gardenia. Gardenia are flowers that must be used with great caution, and alway abjured for the dinner-table on account of their very strong scent.

I was reading in a London paper this morning a rather amusing article upon "Sets," which stated (what we already know) how society people have a way of grouping themselves into sets, according to their rank or other characteristics, of course, however, there must always be a large unclassed minority, and to those of the unclassed who "go out" it must sometimes occur to them to privately wonder why they are asked to certain houses- Now the writer of the article gave five reasons :—

1st The people who are asked for what they have got;
2nd The people who are asked for who they are;
3rd The people who are asked for what they have done;
4th The people who are asked for what they are going to do;
5th The people who are asked for what they are.

So if we cannot attribute the selection to any of the first four reasons, we are driven to the very satisfactory conclusion that our invitation is due to the fifth, last, and most surely the best.

The Military Tournament at the Agricultural Hall has been as usual a great success, men and horses have been trained to perfection, and the whole is wonderfully "stage managed." Piper Findlater, who appears in the pageant, pipes to the accompaniment of untiring cheers, and another popular favorite is the charges of the 3rd Dragoon Guards, which, having had its off fore-leg fictitiously wounded, limps off on three legs, with an apparently blood stained randage round it. This clever performer was much sympathised with at first, the spectators being under the impression that he was really lame, but when it was realised that there was nothing the matter with him, the cheering burst forth with fresh energy, and he won great laurels on the taw stage.

We celebrated the Queen's 79 birthday on the 24th. What a wonderful old lady she is to be sure, when we recollect what she has to do, and how she does it. On the 20th of next month she will have reigned for sixty-one years, a longer reign than has ever been attained by any other monarch. I am afraid the young King of Spain, whose birthday was celebrated last Tuesday, could not have had a very bright festive anniversary. Yet he was us hered into the world with somewhat unusual pomp and ceremony—even for a king. His first introduction to his Court was on a golden tray upon which he was carried through a company of about three hundred lords and ladies. A magnificent suite of appartments, all his own, were provided for him, guarded night and day by stalwart soldiers. At three months old a dental surgeon was appointed to superintend his teething operations, and he was formally overhauled twice a day by Court physicians. How true it is "Not easy lies the head, that wears the Crown." Speaking of Her Majesty reminds me that I read the death of Miss Blanche Sully in a Philadelphia telegram. She was the daughter of Mr. Sully the famous portrait painter, and had the distinction of posing in the Royal robes and jewels worn by the Queen at her Coronation. Her Majesty sat in one of the smaller drawing-rooms at Buckingham Palace on an improvised throne, when Mr. Sully took her portrait, and Miss Sully stood in the Royal robes, which were very heavy, to save the Queen fatigue, and the coronation jewels were placed on her by the Queen's dressers. A silver medal and the Queen's autograph given on this occasion—were amongst her greatest treasures. I am told that the Queen and indeed all the Royal Family are extremely fond of receiving birthday presents. As they are already possessed of nearly everything—what an almost impossible task the finding of suitable presents must be. The Princess of Wales presented the Prince on his last birthday with a very fine bronze statuette of Lord Nelson by Mr. T. H. M. Furse, son of the Archdeacon of that name, with which his Royal Highness was greatly delighted.

But I must tell you some of the dresses in the "Runaway Girl" at the Gaiety—they struck me as being very smart and pretty. A very charming effect is given by the simple grey frocks worn by the chorus of school girls in the first scene. Amongst them is Miss Ellaline Terriss conspicuous in a dress different from her companions, in that it is of a soft shade of maue voile, with an underskirt of the same shade of silk. The bodice is crossed with a pretty white fichu of lace and muslin, and white ribbons are wound round her waist to end in long loops on one side. In the next scene Miss Maidie Hope appears in an original gown of corn coloured silk, and nasturtism brown velvet. The skirt is of silk over an inner petticoat of brown. The bodice is of dark velvet, opening over a vest of soft silk in the fashion now so much *en evidence*. Corn coloured chiffon is at the neck and wrists and in large pouffes on the picturesque hat, which is otherwise trimmed with a cluster of yellow roses and long brown feathers which fall gracefully on one side. In the second act Miss Grace Palotta wears a lovely dress of white muslin and lace over orange coloured satin—a black sash, withorange embroidered buds falling at one side and giving a note of originality to the costume. A touch of black is again seen in the large butterfly in the hat, which is trimmed with orange feathers and soft yellow chiffon. Would not this make a charming Fete or Garden party dress, for a brunette?

I was reminded last night of the story in "Gil Blas" of the clown and the pig, and the real pig's squeak that was not considered so like nature as the clown's imitation, by an incident of the performance of "Faust" at Covent Garden, Mlle. Banermeister, who was playing Martha, fainted when Mephistopheles de Reszte was telling her that her husband was dead. It was observed that the faint was not very well done, but it was not acting at all, and the singer had to be carried off the stage by M. Edonard de Reszte. The curtain was then hung down, and Mr. Neil Forsytte came forward to make an explanation, and although it was announced from the stage that an understudy would appear in Mlle. Banermeister's place, she very pluckily came back to take up the scene from the point at which it had been interrupted.

Notwithstanding a very dull grey morning and a very chill north-east wind, crowds and crowds of people attended the Derby on Wednesday—by train and by road—in coaches, drags—tradesmen's carts, motor cars they went by thousands. The Royal box had its full compliment. The Prince and Princess of Wales who looked, as always charming the Duke and Duchess of York—the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Prince Christian, and the Duke of Cambridge with their numerous guests, were there to witness the first race and I believe that never have a more distinguished concourse of persons been gathered together on Epsom Downs, than those who watched the Derby of 1898. It was in one way a very remarkable race, the favourite was no where—and it was won by the darkest and most utterly unknown horse imaginable against whom the betting was 100 to 1. Would that I had been possessed of a prophetic mind and in backing "Jeddah" could in Yankee parlance "have made my pile."

THE FATAL COLLAPSE OF A HOUSE AT DONGREE.

THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES DECLINE TO GIVE EVIDENCE.

AT the Esplanada Police Court, yesterday afternoon, Mr. Turner, the coroner, resumed the adjourned inquiry, regarding the circumstances under which three persons, named Manbai a Hindu woman, aged forty-five years, Matoobai, a girl, aged seventeen years, and Narayen Canji, a lad, aged five years, were buried alive and killed under the debris of a six-storeyed house which collapsed on the morning of Friday, the 17th instant, at Broach Street, Dongree. The deceased were the residents of the house in question which was owned by one Narayen Virji. Superintendent Gronnan attended the inquiry and watched the proceedings on behalf of the police. Mr. Ardeshir Framji Oonwalla, solicitor appeared to watch the proceedings on behalf of Tnucker Heerji Govindji, the owner of the godown, which was destroyed by the debris of the fallen house. The owner was not present at the inquiry.

At the outset Mr. Katrack, a building inspector in the Municipality, informed the coroner, that the Municipal authorities were not prepared to give evidence, as they had not ascertained the cause of the collapse, owing to the owner having not yet cleaned the debris. It was impossible to examine the foundations, which had been covered up by heaps of rubbish, the removal of which ought to be carried out by the owner, and not by the Municipality. The owner had been served with a notice to pull down all the dangerous parts of the remaining portion of the building, a work which he had since been carrying out, but he should employ more men to expedite the work.

Mr. Unwalla suggested that the Municipality should be compelled to give full evidence in the matter. He was prepared to state on behalf of his client, that the house was raised up to six floors on the original foundations. He thought there was hardly any chance of the owner being made accountable, and consequently he asked that his (other) evidence might be recorded.

The coroner called the owner, but as he was not present in court, the coroner proceeded to record the evidence of the tenants in the houses and: Mr. Beane, of the Babulla Tank Fire Brigade sworn.

Mr. Walter John Beane, of the Babulla Tank Fire Brigade station, examined by the coroner, said that on receiving a telephonic message regarding the collapse of the house, he turned out at once with his fire-engine, followed by the Byculla and Foreshores and three escapes. They had forty men all then. On arrival the witness entered house No. 1, Broach Street, and searched it from the ground floor to the top, but found no one in it. He broke open the door at the end of the passage on the sixth floor, as on looking through saw that the rear portion of the house had fallen down, leaving the high rafts hanging with portion of the side walls attached. A woman was calling out for help from below, and finding no one in the house, they all went down, and when they reached the first floor they found the debris piled up to the height of that floor. So they went through the neighbouring house and through a back widow, got on to the debris, and there noticed the head of a woman projecting from the debris. The woman whose name was Sayabai, was extricated and sent to the hospital at about 5-30 a.m. About two hours after, the body of the deceased Narayan Kanji was found near where the above woman had been extricated. About 8-15 a.m., the body of the deceased Manbai was recovered. She had evidently fallen head foremost, with her arms extended, as her head as extended arms and half of her body were found buried in the debris, while the other half of the body and legs were sticking out. Within an hour the body of Manbai was found. She had also evidently fallen head first with her arms extended, as her head and extended arms and body were found buried under the debris, legs uppermost. A gang of municipal coolies also assisted the witness in the work. It was raining off and on while the work of searching bodies was being conducted. Sayabai told witness that her son, the deceased Narayen Kanji was lying near her, and that two other women had fallen with her, and that they had all been sleeping togeth in one room on the third floor. Sayabai had aleg broken and was jammed between two rafters which the witness had to saw.

The evidence of Narayen Pagji, the father of the deceased lad Kanji, who was a tenant in the house, and who was injured while attempting to rescue his wife, was then examined.

The inquiry was then adjourned.

SIR RICHARD TEMPLE the versatile and the indefatigable, has written an introduction to Colonel Alexander Gardner's Memoirs, which have been edited by Major H. Pearse, and will shortly be published by Messrs. Blackwood. Gardner was one of the British officers employed in the army of Runjeet Singh, the "Lion of the Punjab." He lived at a most interesting period in the progress of relation between the advancing British power and the Sikh kingdom. Sir Richard Temple, as a young civilian, served in the land of the five rivers.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

AT the city meeting of the Municipal Standing Committee yesterday, Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula presided, the other members present were Messrs. I. Vincent, C.I.E., T. W. Cuffe, G. W. Roughton, Uljee B. Barbhaya, Dr. K. N. Bahadhurjee, Ismail Jan Mahomed, Dr. N. N. Katrak, Dr. Cowa Hormusjee, Dr. A. G. Viegas, and Mr. K. Nbrajee.

A CONTRACTOR PUNISHED.

The committee considered a letter from the Commissioner, questing, under circumstances explained, the sanction of the Standing Committee (1) to the recovery from Messrs. Deoram Keshavji & Co. (contractors for construction of quarters for the Chief Inspector of Works, at Babools Tank Road) of Rs. 405, being the charges for establishment incurred by the Municipality on account of delay on the part of the contractors in completing the work; and (2) to the extension of the contract time for the completion of work up to 28th February 1898.

The read sanction was accorded.

ALLOWANCE TO MEN OF THE FIRE BRIGADE.

The committee next considered a letter from the Commissioner stating, with reference to the Standing Committee's resolution No. 787, dated the 21st April 1898 (which sanctioned the payment of an allowance at the rate of one-fourth of their salaries to 146 men the Fire Brigade for additional services in flush gullies) that the demand for flushing having considerably decreased, the allowance was discontinued from the 1st July 1897, but that he considers necessary to resume flushing operations from the 1st January 1898. Stating further that the Standing committee, under their Resolution No. 11676 of 2nd March 1898, sanctioned the payment of an allowance to 120 tindals and firemen for services at the Fire Segregation Camps at a rate of one-sixth of their salary, but that he is of opinion that these men as well as those engaged in flushing operations should be granted an allowance at a rate of one-fifth of their salary; and requesting sanction to this proposal. Adding that the total charges will amount to Rs. 655-14-0, and can be met from plague grants.

Dr. Vegas objected to the payment of the extra charges to the men of the Brigade. The men had little to do except in cases of fire, and it was not right that they should claim extra payments for any little extra work performed by them.

The committee recorded the required sanction, Dr. Viegas being the only dissentient.

A GENERAL SANCTION TO THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

The next item was a memorandum from the Commissioner forwarding, for the decision of the Standing Committee, the following letter to himself from the Chief Accountant, No. 1348 of the 16th date :—"From the Standing Committee's resolution No. 1682 of the 25th ultimo, I find at the Committee have not accorded the general sanction applied for as per para. 3 of this office No. 955 of the 23rd ultimo. May I therefore request the favour of your obtaining the Committee's instructions in the matter as the general sanction accorded, will no doubt save much trouble to branch and departments as well as to the Committee and will enable this office to make favourable investments on suitable opportunities occuring."

The Committee, after some discussion, gave the general sanction asked for.

REDUCTION OF BANK RATE.

The next matter was a memorandum from the Commissioner, forwarding letter to himself from the Chief Accountant, No. 1391 of the same date, intimating that the Secretary and Treasurer, Bank of Bombay has consented to reduce the bank rate on Municipal Loans from 15th June 1898.

The memorandum was recorded.

FILLING UP OF CHEQUES.

The next matter was a memorandum from the Commissioner forwarding, for approval of the Standing Committee, letter to himself from the Chief Accountant No. P-1402 of the same date, proposing, for reason given, that in future cheques may be filled up thrice a week, viz., on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, instead of, as at present, twice a week, viz., on Mondays and Wednesdays.

After explanation from the Chief Accountant with regard to the difficulties experienced by his department as to making payments of wages, it was decided to fill up the cheques henceforth on Mondays and Tuesdays instead of Mondays and Wednesdays.

A SAMPLE OF VEHAR WATER.

The committee considered a letter to the Chairman from Mr. B. P. Ballivala, dated the 21st June 1898, forwarding, for inspection and needful action, a bottle containing a sample of the Vehar water supplied him at No. 12, Karelwady Chawl.

Mr. Roughton proposed that the applicant be informed that he should have sent the bottle of water, now produced, to the Commissioner for disposal, and that the Standing Committee has followed that course.

Dr. Katrak proposed as an amendment that the matter be referred to the Commissioner for disposal.

After some discussion, Mr. Roughton's proposition was carried by a majority of votes.

A CRY FOR WATER.

In connection with the statement of water in the Vehar Tulsi, and Tansa Lakes, which was laid on the table, Mr. Roughton complained that there was no supply of water at the Gymkhana Chambers for the last few days.

Mr. Katrak drew attention to a complaint of want of water in certain parts of the Fort.

The Commissioner was understood to say that some repairs were going on in the works near Thana.

MUNICIPAL LOANS FOR PLAGUE EXPENDITURE.

The committee considered a letter from the Commissioner, dated 22nd inst., regarding the raising of a temporary loan of 14½ lakhs for plague purposes and of a permanent loan of Rs. 8,12,000 in respect of the amount temporarily withdrawn from the surplus fund in connection with the acquisition of the Agri-Horticultural Estate, in which the Commissioner remarked :—"The intention of the Corporation in regard to the amount and the nature of the loan to be raised for plague purposes does not seem to me to be definitely stated. The full amount to be raised for plague purposes is 34½ lakhs. 20 lakhs of this sum stand at present as a temporary loan from the Bank of Bombay. I hardly think it was intended that the further sum of 14½ lakhs should be temporary in the way the 20 lakhs loan with the Bank of Bombay is temporary, *i.e.*, running for a period of less than a year. In fact at the close of the Corporation Meeting, I applied that the Corporation should authorise me to raise a loan of 34½ lakhs for plague purposes to run over a term of ten years, and I understood that this sanction was accorded. The working of the resolution does not, however, bear this out," &c.

On the motion of Mr. Cuffe, it was resolved that the Commissioner's latter be forwarded to the Corporation with reference to their resolution No.—with the recommendation of the Standing Committee that the Commissioner be authorised to apply to Government for sanction to the raising of a loan of 34 1-4 lakhs of rupees to meet the estimated net plague expenditure for the official year, at 3½ per cent. per annum; that in the opinion of the Standing Committee, the Commissioner should be authorised to bring to the notice of the Government the desirability of fixing the period for the repayment of the loan to at least 20 years; and that the chairman of the Standing Committee be requested to bring this as a matter of urgency before the Corporation to-morrow (Thursday).

After transacting some other business, the Committee adjourned.

WATER SCARCITY AND ITS RESULTS.

THE terrible effects of reducing pressure in the mains and giving Bombay short measure may be gathered from the following effusion from a thirsty soul which we give as it flows from the pen of a Grant Road correspondent :—

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—At last "mirabile dictu" the "water clogged" land of our city for fear of another recrudescence of the horrid pestilence has been dried up by the scorching rays of the Municipal Sun. A new philosophic phase of the sublime Municipal administration! Water scarcity is felt by the people, a fortiori, waters would not gorge the subterranean pipes to moisten the earth by percolation. Every morning with one or two happy exceptions, what a hue and cry for water fails upon one's ears in the still hours of the dawning day when one slumbers sweetly, at the blessed tap, at the bottom of a house a kind landlord an exception to the rule, has provided one wisely presaging such frisky stoppages. To the meek (servants of the gentry occupying the four storeys of the lofty structures at Grant Road and Tardeo, and Heaven knows, what others similarly unfortunate, hustle and bustle, riggle and giggle for a pot of precious water. What have the enormous waters contained in the celebrated Tansa, burst through their gigantic environs and are rushing down, splashing dashing to some distant lands? What the time honoured old Vehar, the first of the three has drunk up waters, in mighty wrath against his rivals? Where is loch Tulsi gone with its pure chrystal waters, have the gods lustily quaffed them to the bottom when their lips were dry and throats parched by the recent trying heat? It is a problem that defies all solution. God help us in these critical moments. "Anni fugiuntur." O Municipality, but thou art the same in thy sublime eccentricity and thy incorrigibility. Ye heartless head strong pardon these slight epithets, so called city fathers with worthy exceptions, how erratic are ye. Do ye listen to the grunts and gruffs of the mute thousands? you who boastfully hold the helm of the Municipal bark, as mariners do in their ships, are sadly wanting in skill to steer it safe. Perhaps you do not care to have a compass to guide you on your course. Frown not, take it complaisantly, it is people's voice. God Puvius hath lavishly poured upon us his bounties, then, ye Municipal gods why do ye intercept them? If not, then tell me, O tell me, why this tussle and scuttle for a pot of life preserving water in the morning, alack the day, some times in the evening.

A. U. B.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Ward.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle & Lower Colaba. Fort Northern, Fort Southern, and Esplanade ...	*1	0	3
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi, and Dongri ...	2	0	23
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada...	1	0	8
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpaty, Walkeshwar and Malabar Hill ...	1	2	5
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada ...	0	0	15
F Parel, Sewri and Sion ...	0	2	5
G Mahim and Worli ...	0	1	5
Water Division ...	0	0	0
Non-Resident and unknown ...	*1	0	0
Hospitals ...	0	1	9
Total ...	6	6	73
Total plague deaths to date ...	30,334	26,111	
Same date last year ...	5	2	85

* Old cases which have been under enquiry.

BANDORA.

Plague report for the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. of the 21st June 1898 :—

	Cases.	Deaths.	Under treatment.
Previously reported ...	161	139	3*
Fresh cases ...	3	3	1
Total ...	164	142	4

* 1 recovery—discharged well. The cases and deaths are all at Danda village.

DAMAUN.

The plague mortality of Lower Damaun on Monday was five, all the victims being Mahomedans of Kharawad and Khariwadi, and that as the same date last year was two. At Varkoond, on Monday, five persons, being all Mahomedans, died of plague, and five more were attacked. Dr. John Moniz is in charge of Varkoond, and on his mentioning to his Excellency the Governor the most lamentable state of the roads at Varkoond, his Excellency ordered prompt measures to put the roads in a proper state. Both Kharawad and Khariwadi where the deaths have taken place are in charge of the acting Health Officer. The district assigned to Dr. Antonio Fernandes shows a clean mortality bill. The cordon authorities have imposed a new hardship upon the people of Damaun. A number of persons hold permanent passes from Mr. Judge, the Chief Plague Authority, to cross the cordon whenever they choose to go to Damaun Road station to bring goods, etc., and as the distance between the city of Damaun and Damaun Road station is more than seven miles, all the pass-holders go by bullock-carts. Recently the Sirkarkoon of Kunta, before whom every pass-holders has first to make his appearance to obtain permission to proceed further on his way to the station, has ordered a frontier sepoy to accompany each cart as far as Challa, and when the available number of sepoys is thus employed, the pass-holders are detained for some time until the appearance of a sepoy to accompany the cart.

PLAGUE PREVENTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—While thanking you for your appreciative Review of my pamphlet on "Practical Plague Measures for India," allow me to draw your attention to some points which I could not clear up in the pamphlet itself owing, perhaps, to its ill-advised brevity.

The Reviewer touches the sorest point when he admits that the methods followed in India have failed to arrest the Plague. I make bold to say though not in official capacity, that the methods most relied upon have only increased the general calamity and deaths. I refer to the unique freedom granted under authority which has been exercised with such ease as responsible, in certain directions and in certain places for the gravest social, material and religious hardships that could be artificially inflicted upon mankind.

Search; accusations of Plague illness; Segregation; accusations re house and location infections; make-believe, hurried, ineffective disinfections; often so-called infections, property handling and destruction, merciless oustings, campings and detentions; reckless and fatal handling of patients; confused and despotic management of Quarantine Arrangements; are only a few of the usual features of the 'Battle' waged with the 'Plague'—in the glories of which some, in fine frenzy, have delighted to roll in this enlightened age?

There was some excuse for all this 'fighting' with the 'witch' symbolised in my work if measures of—if I may roughly put it—location, vigilance and cure had been first tried and exhausted. The ruling spirit has been hard and stupendous result said to be achieved. Well, this is the very thing but partially affected.

A searching forestalling Sanitation; prompt and earnest securement of ventilation in individual houses prophylactic, curative, disinfective and fatherly treatment of houses, attacked or attackable; where unavoidable classified Segregation Camps; unavoidable Hospital institutions upon humane scientific basis; are some of the measures which may mark the real magnitude and earnestness of the task to be achieved. And the most talked of battles have very many been lost battles after all. Let us now banish the word 'Battle' from our Plague administrations, so misleading and so terrifying. Plague attacks can only be prophylactised—can only cow before the modus vivendi in many different directions, but cannot be fought against.

I am misunderstood as regards the Police intervention. It should be banished only as far as it has become a punitive, intimidative agent and the unfailing, constant, dread inspiring retinue of Plague parties.

I fear the omission of streets from the process of successful disinfection—the character and elements of which should be confidently settled once for all would only be half-work done. I have handled—every house and every section of an infected street for a searching disinfection of three days at least with the result that the Plague immediately disappeared therefrom. The locality and atmosphere affected can only be dealt with as a perfect whole.

I agree with the Reviewer that charging for Inoculation will not so soon be possible. In suggesting it the idea was the entertainment of widespread popular establishments, which Governments are not generally able to afford.

As regards the expediency of preventing patients seeing the dead bodies what I referred to was their being seen by plague patients in Hospitals, which should be scrupulously prevented. They should not through cries and wailing to which natives are so prone, even know of their existence. The hospital wards should be wide apart from each other, fewer, and of one single range only, scientifically ventilated, isolated in the outskirts, all contact material of the ward being changed on each removal of a patient.

In reference to the apprehended appearance of plague in Europe, my opinion is this, it seems to make its way slowly in that direction though it may yet take years to establish itself in Europe—of course, as a lingering passing wave of special mortality. Our Indian experience must, meanwhile, help towards securing a more practical mode of dealing with plague than the world has yet seen.

The appointment of Authoritative Conferences of Medical Sanitary and Administrative officials, aided by non-official members, seem to have become a most pressing necessity both in India and Europe. Continents and Towns, with their responsible Administrations, should decline to be the victims of good natured scientific quacks and tenative faddism.—Yours, &c.,

DINSHAH A. TALEYARKHAN.

Race Course, Baroda, June 18.

NEW JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

THE names of the following gentlemen have been added to the list of her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Town and Island of Bombay :—

Mr. G. A. Anderson	Mr. Khandubhai G. Desai, C.E.
Mr. C. T. Burke, C.E.	Mr. Alfred King
Mr. Camrudin Amiruddin	Mr. H. S. Lawrence, C.S.
Mr. H. Crawford	Mr. A. C. Logan, C.S.
Mr. Damji Lakmichand	Mr. G. Lund.
Mr. J. M. Dias	Khan Bahadur M. K. Nariman, B.A.
Mr. Dost Mahomed Allana	Mr. Manmohandas R. Hora
Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, C.S.	Mr. W. T. Morison, C.S.
Mr. Fazlullah Lutfullah	Mr. A. Muirhead
Mr. F. X. Ferreira	Rao Saheb Narayan T. Vaidya
Comdr. T. G. R. Finny, R.I.M.	Mr. Nudrudin J. Nudrudin
Capt. Fleet, R.N.	Mr. Ratansi Karamsi
Mr. J. R. Greaves	Mr. S. B. Spencer
Mr. Haji Harun Siddik	Mr. R. J. Sharman
Mr. Harischandra Jagganath	Mr. Shavak R. Bomanji
Major Hildebrand	Mr. R. B. Stewart, C.S.
Mr. R. H. S. Isaacs.	Mr. J. Walshe
Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin	Mr. E. Wilkin

THERMOMETER READINGS.

MONDAY NIGHT.—JUNE 20.

10 p.m.	82·5

TUESDAY.—JUNE 21.

6 a.m.	82·1
10 a.m.	84·5
2 p.m.	85·3
4 p.m.	85·2

THE BLACKMAILING CASE.

DURANT'S APPLICATION TO THE HIGH COURT.

CLIVE DURANT VS. NANABHOY COWASJEE ENGINEER AND DORABJEE CURSETJEE PATEL.

BEFORE the Hon. Mr. Justice Parsons, acting Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Ranade, Mr. Branson, instructed by Mr. Rustom B. Paymaster, on behalf of Clive Durant, applied at the sitting of the High Court yesterday for revision of the orders of Mr. Dastoor and Mr. Sanders-Slater, Presidency Magistrates, in the applications made to them by Clive Durant in the above matter.

At the suggestion of Mr. Justice Parsons, the matter was allowed to stand over till the afternoon, when it was gone into.

Clive Durant, in his petitions to the High Court, stated that, on the 15th inst., he filed an information in the court of Mr. Dastoor against Nanabhai Cowasjee Engineer on charges of theft in a building, dishonestly retaining stolen property, and secreting or destroying documents under sections 380, 411, and 204 of the Indian Panal Code, and against Dorabjee Cursetjee Patel on the charge of dishonestly receiving st

Mr. Davur did not live in a grand style. Witness did not know that Mr. Davur paid a rent of Rs. 200 or 300 for his bungalow.

Continuing, witness said the capital of the Oriental S. & W. Company was 35 lakhs of rupees. It was not the fact that witness' firm had advanced Rs. 25,00,000 to the company. It was a fact that Mr. Davur and every servant of the company could be employed or dismissed by witness. He did not dismiss Mr. Davur, because he had no reason to do so. Framji N. Mama was a distant relation of the witness. He was employed as a sort of assistant to the manager of the Oriental Mills. Witness did not know whether Mama had committed defalcations to the extent of Rs. 50,000. It was not reported by the manager to the witness that he suspected a fraud had been committed by Mama in respect of 9,866 bundles of yarn. What he reported was that the number of bundles in his charge did not tally with the number registered in the book, the inference being that either the clerk did not register the quantity of yarn properly or that the quantity of yarn in Mama's charge was not as large as it ought to have been. It was shown in the directors' report for the year ending 31st December, 1893, that the defalcations account with the *mehta* was reduced to Rs. 2,73,934. Witness could not tell what amount had been recovered in the suit against the *mehta's* widow.

Mr. Davur remarked that it would take a year to ascertain that amount.

Continuing, witness said against the total sum of Rs. 4,22,200 embezzled by the late *mehta* the directors had written off Rs. 1,33,433 as being part of the balance of the general profit and loss account. That action of the directors was sanctioned by the majority of shareholders after the report had been issued.

Further inquiry into the case stands adjourned to to-day.

WEDDINGS AT SURAT.

LAST week the ancient city of Surat was the scene of gaieties and festivities on account of the weddings of Syed Ali Sahib El Edroos, Syed Jaffer Sahib El Edroos and their sister, the sons and daughter of Syed Zan Sahib El Edroos, the Sajadanashin of the Edroos family which is well known throughout the whole of India, and the leader of the Mahomedans of Gujrat. The Sahibzadas are wedded to the daughters of the late Kazi of Rander, who was a son-in-law of the late Khan Bahadoor Mir Gulam Baba Khan, C.I.E. The sister of the Sahibzada's is married to her cousin Syed Ahmad El Edroos Sahib. The bridegrooms and the bride are the cousins of the present Chief of Sachin. The father of the bridegrooms Syed Zan El Edroos Sahib is son of the late the Hon'ble Syed Hassan El Edroos, C.S.I., who was a member of the Council of his Excellency the Governor of Bombay and the leader of the Mahomedans of the Bombay Presidency. Sir Richard Temple, the late Governor of Bombay in his book entitled India in 1880 has spoken of the late Syed Hassan as one of the four Mahomedans in the whole of India, namely the late Sir Syed Ahmad Khan of Alighar, Nawab Abdul Latif, Syed Hassan Sahib El Edroos and Mr. Mohomed Ally Rogay, who endeavoured to imbue their countrymen with the ideas of civilized progress and rendered yeoman service to the British Crown.

On this auspicious occasion the Edroos Mansion was beautifully decorated with flags, buttees, &c. Arches were raised on the eastern and western sides of the house, with the following inscriptions on them "Success to British Empire," "Long live the Empress of India," "All angels bless the night when hearts and hands unite," "God bless the occasion, and may Heaven shower blessings on the happy pairs." A day previous to the marriage presents were sent to the numerous relatives and friends of the bridegrooms and the brides. On the day of the marriage the 17th June, in the afternoon dahaj (dowry) was sent by the mother of the brides from Rander, consisting of jewellery, cloths, silver utensils, furniture, crockery, &c. Three hundred coolies carried the things from Rander to Surat. The sight was very imposing. In the evening a large procession was formed and left the house of the bridegrooms at about 11 o'clock in the night, reaching Rander at 3 a.m. All the local noblemen and gentry attended the marriage procession. After the arrival of the procession the guests were shown in to the spacious hall, where they seated themselves on embroidered cushions and rich carpets. The Naib to the Kazi of Rander read the marriage service and after going through the rites the Nikah was performed. After this an address was presented to Syed Zan Sahib El Edroos, the father of the bridegrooms, by the members of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Surat of which he is the President, and was read by Moulvie Ahmad Ally. Syed Zan Sahib replied in suitable terms, and said that he was overjoyed to see that his friends and co-religionists participated in his joy and spoke so kindly of him. Like his father, he said he was always ready and willing to do his duty towards his co-religionists and the Government. A donation of Rs. 200 was given to the Anjuman. The following princes and raises were invited:—The Nawab Ebrahim Khan of Sachin, his brothers Nawabzada Ahmed Khan and Nawabzada Abdul Karim Khan, and his uncle Nawabzada Nasrullah Khan Nawab of Bella, Sahibzadas Sidi Mahomed Yakut Khan, Ibrahim Khan Abdul Karim Khan, Mir Sadruddin Khan, Buxi Sahib of Surat, Mir Moozafar Hussain Khan, Mir Jaffer Ali Khan, the Kazi of Surat, Sardar Buranddin, Mullah Sahib of the Boras, Sardar Davar Edulji Mody, Khan Bahadoor Barjorjee Mody, Khan Sahib Syed Hussain El Edroos, Sayad Sayadamia Sahib, Syed Abubakar El Edroos Sahib, Sahibzada Mirza Aftab Baig, Mir Kamruddin Khan, Gulam Mohimuddin Farid, Gulam Rassul Farid, Shamshodin of Kalyan and Babar Mahomed Khan, Mir Gulam Hussain Khan, Mir Sadak Mia, and several other leading Mahomedans of Broach Ankleshwar, and other places in Gujrat. An evening party to all European and native friends is to be given next week. A number of congratulatory letters were sent by those who were unavoidably absent. The large attendance of friends and relatives showed how much Syed Zan Sahib El Edroos is held in respect by his co-religionists and by members of other communities. He has well preserved the traditions of his family by endeavouring to the best of his abilities to help his co-religionists and to be ever ready to serve Government with unflinching loyalty and sincerity of purpose.

OVERCROWDING AND MUNICIPAL DWELLINGS.

REMEDIES for metropolitan overcrowding are only to be found in municipal dwellings, and it is satisfactory to find that the attention of the London County Council has at length been drawn to the inoperativeness of its past policy in this respect. A sub-committee of the Housing of the Working classes Committee of the Council has for some time been engaged in reviewing the position, and a report on the subject may shortly be expected. Only by Municipal competition in rents will the tumble down tenements of East London be let at their proper value and the necessities of the working classes to live near their labour will not be made the opportunity of rapacious landlords. But it is well known that the London County Council has failed miserably in its dwellings policy. Buildings of an unnecessarily expensive and ideal character have been erected in accordence with the dictates of Councillors with fads, and the natural result is, that bound with iron statutory obligations as well, the Council has found its dwellings a terrible financial burden, while the tenants themselves have not reaped, from the fact that the Municipal Authority of London can borrow its money so cheaply, and have had to pay rents as high as they would in the case of ordinary dwellings. In this way the policy of the Council has defeated its own evil, for it cannot lower rents and it cannot increase the accommodation by further buildings, and the municipal housing work of London has been at a standstill for some years. In East London the question of overcrowding is coming to the front in an unmistakeable manner, most of the Local authorities showing a disposition to turn their attention to it in a practical manner. This is a subject which involves the problem of the hour—how to house the ever increasing population of over large towns and cities. So far as the East End is concerned, the difficulties are enhanced by reason of the local feature of a foreign element, which is every year becoming more and more pronounced. Various influences are at work which tend to raise rents and foster the consequent overcrowding, and startling statements of cases met with in the slums of St. George's (East) and Whitchapel—the home of the foreign immigrant—have arrested the attention of the authorities. The remedy appears to be in the hands of the municipality in providing proper housing accommodation. Fines and imprisonment are useless, the efforts of the sanitary Inspector to keep the surplus population moving supply no solution of the problem, and it is absurd to expect people to pay the exorbitant rents demanded.—*Sanitary Record.*

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE Government of India's despatch regarding the Khyber goes home by this week's mail.

RECRUITS for the Khyber Rifles are being freely taken, as it is certain, whatever settlement is arrived at, that this corps will be maintained, and possibly increased in strength.

ON Monday morning the weavers of the Howrah Jute Mills went on strike, because one of the European Mill employs under whom they worked was dismissed. The manager failed to induce the men to resume work and stopped the mill.

THE health of troops garrisoning Landi Kotal is still fairly good as regards British regiments, and excellent so far as the sepoys are concerned. The heat is great, but the tents are well protected by chappars, and the men are comfortable. Picquet duty is light, while the Khyber Rifles do all escort duty for the caravans twice a week.

MAJOR O'SULLIVAN, R.E., who was sent to Chitral to report upon the defensive capabilities of various posts there, is still at Drosh. He will work up the valley examining Shishi Kuh and other sites: eventually returning to India via Gilgit in August.

ON the Kohat-Kurram border, the 2nd Gurkhas with four guns and the Kohat Mountain Battery are holding the Samana forts. Everything is reported quiet in the Orakzai country immediately beyond the Samana; while in Tirah the Afridis are said to be busily engaged rebuilding their villages. There are no signs of unrest in this direction.

AN old landmark in Mussoorie has passed away in the person of Major T. Gordon whose death at the age of 78 is announced. The deceased officer retired from the service more than thirty years ago, and formed one of a small band of old soldiers who have made Mussoorie the home of their later years.

THE total number of deaths registered in Urban Calcutta during the week ending 11th June was 242, against 231 and 220 in the two preceding weeks, and higher than the corresponding week of last year by 42. There were 11 deaths from cholera, against six and 11 in the two preceding weeks; the number is lower than the average of the past quinquennium by 11. There were two deaths from small-pox during the week against three in the previous week. There was one death from tetanus against one in the previous week. The mortality from fevers and bowel-complaints amounted to 66 and 30, respectively, against 58 and 37 in the preceding week.

A "PERSONALLY CONDUCTED" shikar party is quite the latest device for relieving the monotony of Indian existence. The party is timed to leave Calcutta on or about the 7th December next. The field of operations will be the Sunderbans, than which no better tract exists for sport. The place abounds in tiger, rhino, leopard, deer of four kinds including barasingha, etc. The party will be accommodated in large budgerows, and the whole affair will be conducted picnic fashion. As space will be limited those who join the party are requested to take only really necessary things, and they must be prepared to rough it a bit. The organiser of the expedition is an old experienced hand who knows the tract well. Food will be provided but no liquors. The charge includes messing and the cost of a shooting license.

AT the request of the Government of Ceylon, the Government of Madras has ordered the transfer of the dispensary at Tiruvadanai in the Madura District to Tondi. The step was rendered necessary by the fact that the Government of Ceylon wanted some medical supervision over the immigrant coolies who pass over into Ceylon from Tondi in large numbers, and were willing to pay the cost it necessary. The Government of Madras has, however, been able to meet the wishes of the Ceylon Government by the transfer abovementioned. The dispensary at Tondi will be in charge of a Senior Assistant Civil Apothecary instead of a Hospital Assistant, and all the charges the Ceylon Government will have to meet will be the difference in the cost of the establishment this change will entail, namely, about Rs. 1,500. This the Ceylon Government has, of course, consented to do, while expressing its obligations to the Government of Madras for having so readily acceded to its wishes.

LATER particulars of the Murphy murder at Karachi show that the only occupants of the house were Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, their five children and Mrs. Murphy's mother. The latter, hearing a scream, went to her daughter's room and finding her covered with blood thought she was ill and went to wake Mr. Murphy, whom she found lying dead. Messages to friends were sent out and the police were soon on the spot. Mrs. Murphy's mother asserts that the house was shut up when they retired at 10 p.m., and when she discovered the murder about 1 a.m. the front door was open. The murderer, who is suspected to be a Pathan, with a fancied grievance against Mr. Murphy, must have escaped during the confusion on the discovery of the murder. He appears by his footmarks to have dodged about considerably, at first going on all fours. Mr. Murphy is said to have been a most inoffensive man. One of Mrs. Murphy's hands has been almost severed from the arm and the blow on her head would have proved fatal but for her having very thick hair. She had two tiny children in bed with her.

A MANIPUR correspondent telegraphs that the heavy rain of the last few days has virtually put an end to the epidemic of cholera which has been raging there for some time back. The outbreak has been the severest known in the State. In the town of Imphal, which contains about 30,000 inhabitants, there have been no less than 2,013 cases and 1,650 deaths since the 6th May: that is to say, the disease has carried off more than 5 per cent. of the population. The exertions of Surgeon-Captain Wood, I. M. S., who throughout this time has been single-handed, and has worked night and day in combating the disease, are deserving of the highest praise. Thanks to his care there have been only a few sporadic cases in the limits of the civil station. The 44th Gurkha Rifles have lost nine men, and the fact that the losses have been so small, is due the foresight of Colonel Molesworth in moving out his men into cholera camp before the epidemic took a firm hold.

THE conversion of the Bhopal currency has been successfully carried out: 69,44,000 Bhopal rupees have been exchanged or British Indian rupees at the rate of 124 Bhopali for 100 of our currency. The Minister of Bhopal calculated originally that the total amount likely to be exchanged would be 150 lakhs: but Captain Newmarch, the Political Agent, states that previously to the closing of the Mints in 1893 some 55 lakhs had been sent to Bombay and the Native States as silver and not for circulation, and that since 1893 19 lakhs had similarly been disposed of. The total disappearance from circulation therefore would be 74 lakhs. This added to 69 lakhs makes 143, thus having 7 lakhs still out. He believes this is somewhat under the actual amount, which he puts at 10 lakhs, the bulk of which is probably hoarded. He considers the currency of British India will be firmly established by the end of a year.

THE reaction among the Afridis, consequent on the return of their maliks empty-handed from Kabul and Jellalabad, is said to be very marked. They have at last realised that though venerable mullahs, such as Saiad Akbar, may be treated with respect and consideration by the Amir, Abdur Rahman has not the least intention of championing the cause of the tribesmen lately in arms against the British Government. His Highness did not, it is said, allow a single tribal headman audience at Kabul last month, though the city was swarming with representatives of almost every tribe on the borderland. Even the Mohmand jirgahs, who have generally been made much of in former years, found themselves left out in the cold. As to the Afridis, such of them as got past Jellalabad, were much disgusted at getting no more than subsistence allowance in Kabul and bare road expenses for the return journey. It is to be hoped that the tribe, as a whole, will now see that their interests are linked up with those of the Government of India; but of course there are mischief makers who will do their utmost in a contrary direction.

How is it that the story of the Bounty and the Pitcairn Islanders has been turned to so little account by the romancists, asks a correspondent. Louis Becke and Mr. Walter Jeffery have however, appropriated it, and their joint work will appear in a few days under the title of "The Mutineers: A Romance of Pitcairn Island." Needless to that as a writer of short tales of the Pacific Mr. L. Becke is unsurpassed. Both writers are men of rovnstinct, and exceptionally informed in things Pacific by the way, the two stories which first brought Becke into public notice, "By Reef and Palm" "His Native Wife," are to be republished in single volume.

IN the middle of next month the members of the German North Pole Expedition are to embark at Helgoland at Bremerhaven, which will touch at Tromsoen and then make straight for Tromso. There the Norwegian ice-pilots and harpooners will go on board, fishing boats and hunting material will be embarked the ship will visit the east and then the west and north coasts of Spitzbergen. The Sea of Greenland and Mayen will be traversed, and by the middle of August the Helgoland will return to Tromso. After coaling and provisions the second part of the journey will commence. Touching at Vardo and Archask, the Helgoland will proceed along the coast of Nova Zembla and try to reach Franz Joseph Land. The return is planned via E. Spitzbergen, where the King Charles Islands will be accurately mapped, and, after touching at Haerfest and Drontheim, the expedition hopes to reach Bremerhaven again by the middle of October. Taim of the expedition is principally zoological. Leader of the expedition is Theodor Lerner, the acting captain is D. Rudiger. Dr. Bruhl, of the physiological Institute of the Berlin University, will carry out the physiological research. The animal painter Professor Richard Friese accompanies the expedition. The German Admiralty has put the necessary naval and meteorological instruments at the disposition of the expedition.

MR. GEORGE REDWAY is just bringing two memoirs of men who, though unknown to rising generation, were not so very long ago familiar figures in London literary life. Mr. J. A. Heraud, who died eleven years ago at the age of eighty-eight, who for thirty years was dramatic critic to one of principal weeklies, knew the Carlyles intimately and enjoyed the friendship of Southey, Coleridge, Charlot, and Wordsworth. Heraud's mastery of Germ literature, at a time when English students of Ger were so few, was a bond of union between him and Carlyle. In this biography of him, written by his daughter, a number of letters written to him by Southey are published for the first time. Heraud's poem "The Judgment of the Flood," made some sensation its day. Who reads it now? Or the "Descent into Hell"?—The second memoir is one of Miss "Friswell," by his daughter, Mrs. Ambrose Lyall. "The Gentle Life," so immensely popular the sixties and seventies, is still in demand. Published in 1864, it soon ran through twenty editions. Of Friswell's more than forty works, "The Gentle Life" was almost the only one more than ephemerally successful. His journalistic career, began at Smith's "Puppet Show" in 1852, till 1878, when he died, was singularly varied. Much of his most useful labours were of an unobtrusive kind, usually evoked in the turmoil of Vanity Fair. He gave much of his time to the cause of working-class education and recreation; and did something to give the youth of the country a taste for reading of a higher order than the penny shocker.

IT is interesting to see how the full length portrait is gradually finding a place on the line at the Academy. Strictly speaking it should not be there. There is a tradition of the Academy—and its traditions are valuable—that a full-length must be hung up. A sitting portrait is a full-length, the test is whether the feet are included in the painting. Some years ago Pethad a portrait of Wyndham in "David Garrick." It was more than a three-quarters—it was almost a three-eighth, and so, as a canvas, had a rather unsatisfy appearance, but it had its place on the line. When Frank Holl painted the Prince as a Bencher of the Middle Temple, it, though a full-length, was on the line. But at the Academy nice customs do not always curtsey to great kings, and Mr. Cope's full-length of the German Emperor was "hung up" a couple of years ago. But the council may vote the line to a particular full length, and that is how Mr. Orchardson's superb "David Stewart, Esq." held the place of honour at the head of the big gallery in 1896. But for that test it also would have been hung up. This year the entitling powers of the council have been still further extended, and in several instances great works are seen to an advantage which would otherwise have been denied to them. It is thus that Mr. Orchardson has again, and this time with two portraits, commanded exceptional positions, and Mr. Carolus Duran is on the line, with the singular good fortune of finding his work in room six. In this room the dado or skirting board is lower than in any other gallery of the Academy, and so a full length is seen on its wall to exceptional advantage. These relaxations of the rigour of an old custom may hereafter be more frequent. But the custom is good, and the relaxations should be discriminate.

ONE of the penalties of greatness in these days is the intrusion of the newspaper reporter into almost every circumstance of private life. It is, of course, inevitable that princes and potentates and politicians, should live ever in the public eye; but it is surely hard that they should also have to die, as it were, before the footlights. The death-bed should be unprofaned by the prying of a foolish or morbid curiosity; even those who have lived most in the public ways that public manners breed have a right that the curtain should be let fall silently on the last scene of all. Medical details of an historic case may legitimately be given in the proper place and in the proper way, but they are altogether out of place in ordinary newspapers. How can it interest the public (says the *British Medical Journal*) to be informed that a dying statesman presents the symptoms known as Cheyne-Stokes respiration? That relatives and friends should strive to piece into some semblance of meaning the stray words which fall from the beloved lips before they are closed for ever is natural. But that other watchers at the beside should gather up the mutterings of delirium and permit them to find their way into the press is much to be regretted. We are willing to admit that the position of those who are called upon to attend the sick or dying bed of a person of national eminence is often one of great difficulty. On the one side there is the natural desire of the public, as represented by the Press, to obtain authentic information, and, on the other, the obligation of reticence which is laid upon every one who enters the sick-room, and not least upon the medical advisers. It is by no means easy for a medical man to maintain perfect reticence when reporters lie in wait for him at every corner.

MR. PHILIP LYTTELTON GELL has resigned the post of secretary to the Clarendon Press at Oxford, which he had filled with much ability for several years past. Mr. Gell brought to the Clarendon Press the practical knowledge of the business of publishing, which he had acquired in an important post in the firm of Messrs. Cassell and Co., and his period of service at Oxford has been marked by a great development, both in the scope and form, of the publications of the University Press.

THE John Ball memorial edition of the well-known Alpine Guide, the first volume of which has just appeared, is to be in three volumes, the second of which is in active preparation by Mr. Coolidge, of Magdalen College, Oxford. Mr. John Ball died in 1889. He was the first President and first Editor of the Alpine Club. In revising the new edition, Mr. Coolidge has been assisted by a large number of the best mountain specialists in Europe. As much of the original text as possible is preserved, while new centres and new routes are described. The Guide occupies a place between a general work, such as "Murray," and a specialist work, such as the "Climbers'" series.

THE report of the Budget Committee of the Delegations at Budapest was distributed to the members of the Austrian Delegation the other day. It recommends the voting of the extraordinary credit of 30,000,000 for the purchase of arms and war material, but says it must seem strange that the Government should have disposed of so large a credit against the budgetary rights of the delegations, and this fact must be regretted all the more because the delegations will not even in their next session be able to examine the necessity of the expenditure. The information which has been given to the Budget Committee by word of mouth has, however, convinced its members that such expenditure was justified, and that the reasons for it were urgent, and dictated by the public welfare.

RUSSIAN DESIGNS IN PERSIA AND KHORASSAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As Surgeon-Major Brazier Creagh has furnished a special correspondent of the "Morning Post" with an account of what he observed as to Russian designs in Eastern Persia and Khorasan I ventured to send you a copy of a letter that I wrote to the Editor of the "Globe" newspapers on the 14th May on the subject. It is high time the Indian Government bestirred itself and instead of occupying itself in making feeder railways to benefit existing companies it should devote its energies to making a railway from Quetta via Nushki and Sastoni to the Eastern boundary of Persia. The material is at hand and is close by at the Chaman where it has been stored to make the railway to Candahar, but as the Amir has been arming his subjects with Breech loaders we may believe that Russia's objective will be towards the Persian Gulf as they want terminus at Bunder Abbas. It is a great pity that our Government cannot see its way to acquiring the Persian Littoral from Guadar to Bunder Delem or Mahomerah. Russia annexed Turkestan as a matter of policy. We have done the police work of the Persian Gulf for so many years that I think we might claim a similar privilege as regards the Persian Littoral. Lord Salisbury may think it wise to seek favours from Russia but Russia's Policy is fixed and is not to be turned by any concession. If we had a strong Force at the Eastern border of Persia we should hold a strategic position to move North or South to neutralise the continued scares we have on the Western Afghanistan border.—Yours, &c.,

J. P. NIXON, Major-General.

Hyderabad Deccan June 20.

SIR,—Lord Salisbury is supposed to be a Conservative of Conservatives but during his previous ministry he is credited with having said that he did not see why Russia should not have a Port on the Persian Gulph and ever since this very liberal announcement was made, Russian statesmen satisfied that the concession would not be revoked or interfered with have been directing their energies to carrying out their aggressive designs in the far East, culminating on the occupation of Port Arthur. We may therefore rest assured that the next move in Russian Policy will be to advance towards the Persian Gulf, but we must remember that the advent of the Russian on the Persian Littoral is not only intended as a blow to our trade, but also to cripple the large trade of India with the Persians. Russian Statesmen moreover expect to be able to menace our possessions in India and this is the main object in view. We have the right to consider the Persian Gulf to be a sort of "mare clausum" and years ago through the local Press in Bombay I endeavoured to arouse the attention of the Government to our rights and interests in that sea. I pointed out that ever since the year 1819 the date of Sir William Keers occupation of Bushire the duty of suppressing piracy and slave dealing in the Persian Gulf has devolved upon us to the advantage of the trade at all nations we have also done the police work of the Gulf and yearly our ships of war, have been stationed at the Pearl Banks near the Island of Bahrein to maintain order and check the petty wars which were continuously being waged between the Arabs and the Persians in that locality but in spite of all this we have been obtuse or forgetful of our own interests and we may expect in a short time to see that Bunder Abbas has fast become a "Place D'armes" on the west similar to that of Port Arthur in the far East. Russian Statesmen have no regard for treaties and do not hesitate to seize and take any position to further their aggressive intentions. Is it not time for British Statesmen to initiate a corresponding policy to frustrate Russian designs. A reference to Aitchison's Treaties will show that after the Persian Navy had been destroyed by the former Imam of Muscat our political officers very wisely obtained the cession of the Island of Kishm which commands the Persian Port of Bunder Abbas. We also possess the Island of Karrack, which is now occupied with a force for some years. We have stations for coaling purposes at Bassadore on the Island of Kishm but we only keep a small force of marines there. As an observer from a distance it would seem that the real fact is that British Government does not clearly appreciate the power it possesses by holding the Empire of India by its military strength alone we are able to confront Russia and check her insidious pretensions to universal Empire in Asia and Europe and we may reflect whether we should not meet her by corresponding aggressive action on our part. Any one who chooses to look up the statistics will observe that the Russian Empire owns one-seventh of the land surface of the globe, but has only an estimated population of one hundred and twenty six millions, whereas the British Empire in India alone possesses a population of two hundred and ninety millions of souls thus we have a large preponderance of population over Russia within India we have also a large number of martial races who are always ready to flock to our standard and will prove themselves a match for the Russian Moujik whenever we may be granted an opportunity of developing their hereditary military instincts upon Russian soil. I notice that the Russians are now contemplating sending a survey party into our dominions in Baluchistan for scientific purposes it is to be hoped that the British Government will for once discard a policy of retirement and have a strong force ready to oppose this invasion. There has been so much said in England about the forward policy that the Government of India must be half paralysed in regard to what course it should pursue to protect its frontiers from Russian aggression. One thing is certain that whatever policy they adopt some of the members of the House of Commons are sure to find fault with it. But looking at matters as they stand at present we certainly ought to have a large force on the frontiers of Baluchistan where the Trigudia or Triple Boundaries of Persia Afghanistan and Baluchistan meet so that any aggression on Afghanistan or our territories can be promptly met by a corresponding movement towards the Caspian though Persia of course. We are always crying out about expense but under present circumstances if we wish to retain our trade and our Empire for the British workman we shall have to face the expenditure, however the revenues of India are quite sufficient for its protection if they are not mismanaged. I will give an instance of this by a comparison of our railway management in India with that of the railways at the Cape of Good Hope. The Cape colonial Government borrowed 25 millions of money made and own all the railways in the colony, which railway have paid a profit after defraying the interest working expenses &c., of from Nine to fifteen per cent. This profit goes to the credit of the Cape Government Revenues and in one year the profit paid to the Cape Government Treasury amounted to upwards of one million five hundred thousand pounds in India with some few exceptions the profits on Indian Railways go into the pockets of the shareholders instead of into the Indian treasury. If the British Government were to give assistance and the companies paid off, and all the railways brought under Indian Government management there would be a large asset to the Indian Government. Money being far cheaper now than when the railways were constructed a great saving would be effected in the guaranteed interest which could be reduced from 5 per cent. to 3 1-2 per cent, this one would relieve the Finances of India without the resort to fresh taxation to pay for a forward policy on the Frontier. Russian Statesmen are very astute and before they attempted the acquisition Port Arthur they obtained the consent of Austria when the Emperor visited the Czar at St. Petersburg, as there should be no alterations in the status quo in the Balkans and when the Emperor of Germany visited St. Petersburg it was no doubt arranged that Asian China should be seized and perhaps in the near future a good many more Ports will be appropriated like Port Arthur and Talienwan and these also will be closed to British Trade. The Germans and Austrians may look forward with equanimity to looming the slaves of Russia when the ends of Monovite policy are achieved, but one can hardly understand what motive France has for supporting Russian diplomacy. The French have evidently forgotten that the first Empire was destroyed by the kin by coalition brought about Hazlitt the Historian say by the fear that their subjects would become coverts to Republicanism.—Yours, etc.,

J. P. NIXON, Major-General.

Hyderabad Decca, June 14.

MOUNT ABU NOTES.

THE Cadet Company belonging to the 2nd Battalion of the B. B. and C. I. Ry. Vol Rifle Corps was inspected on the 15th instant by Brigadier-General P. W. Smith. The Company paraded on the Lawrence School Play-ground at 7-5 a.m, under Capt. Skelton, the Principal of the Abu Ry, High School. After the March past, manual exercise and some company drill had been gone through, the General expressed his entire satisfaction with the drill and turn-out of the Company and then distributed some shooting prizes. The annual cup to the best shot was won this year by a boy in the Lawrence School half company with a score of 32 out of 40. As he Play-ground was too small for any skirmishing the boys were then marched down to the Polo-ground, and taking as the point of attack, a small house at the opposite end moved across the fine open space, at first in single line and then by alternate sections firing volleys, some of which were a little ragged.

The next morning the General visited the armoury and range by the Company's school and also witnessed the volley firing of the squads chosen from the two half companies. This time the Railway School boys came to the front, making 31 hits, out of 40 to the 25 of the other squad.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 14th June:—

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 7th June 1898, forwarding an application requesting that a strip of land 5 feet in width may be added to the western side of the plot already leased under the Trustees' Resolution No, 155, dated 3rd May 1898, and on the same terms, and recommending that the application be granted.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

Read letter from Messrs. Shepherd & Co., dated 9th May 1898, drawing attention to the charge of Rs. 5 per vessel made at the Merewether Dry Dock to remove rubbish left in the Dock after the vessel is cleaned, and suggesting that, when two vessels are docked together, only one fee should be levied. Submitted Trustees' Resolution dated 8th March 1892 sanctioning a charge of Rs. 5 against the licensee on each vessel using the Dock to cover the cost of cleaning the Dock. Submitted letter from the Engineer, dated 11th May 1898, forwarding a statement of the sums received from vessels for cleaning and disinfecting the Dock during the last four years, and suggesting that it is not worth retaining the charge, the average amount received per year being only Rs. 908. Read minutes by members of the Docks Committee, saying that in 1892 it was provided that a charge of Rs. 5 should be made for "each vessel" against the licensee for the purpose of removing rubbish left in the Dock after cleaning vessels; that the charge in itself is reasonable, but recommending that it be levied per "docking" and not per vessel.

Resolution.—The recommendation of the Docks Committee to charge Rs. 5 per docking instead of per vessels, as ruled in Trustees' Resolution No. 90, dated 8th March 1892, is approved, provided the vessels belong to the same owner.

Read letter from Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co., dated 1st June 1898, stating that, as in the present state of trade it is as much a matter of advantage to the Trustees that importing steamers should vacate their berths in the Wet Docks as quickly as possible as it is to merchants and steamer-owners that the steamers should be rapidly discharged, the reduction made in the night work charge should apply to importing steamers working at night as well as to exporting steamers.

Read letter from the Docks Superintendent, dated 7th June 1898, stating that he is in favour of the extra charge being withdrawn altogether from 1st June 1898, but bringing to notice at the same time that vessels will ask to work as freely at night as during the day, which would not only undermine the supply of labour for ordinary purposes but, as regards imports, would throw the sheds into great disorder; that it is so difficult to see and properly separate and stack each mark, especially on bag cargoes; and advising that a restriction therefore be placed on night work by allowing it only when the Docks Superintendent considers it will not interfere with the supply of daily labour.

Resolution.—The orders passed in para. 1 of Trustees' Resolution No. 162 dated 10th May 1893, may be extended, subject to the same condition, to all vessels, whether working export or import cargo, with effect from the 1st June 1898.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 20th May 1898, inviting attention to Trustees' Resolution No. 385 of 19th December 1893, fixing certain rates of ground rent for occupations of land at Mazagon Reclamation and Tank Bunder, and stating that at present the Mazagon rates differ a good deal; for instance, very low value goods, such as sand, bricks, tiles, chunam, cinders, and clay, are charged rent at the rate of Rs. 5 per stick per month, whereas much more valuable goods, such as timber, old iron and firewood are only charged Rs. 3 per stick, which is rather anomalous; that at Mazagon the rates for temporary erections vary from Rs. 3 to Rs. 4, and proposing, to make matters uniform, that the Trustees should introduce a general rate of Rs. 5 per stick for all occupations, whether for storage of goods or for temporary erections, and abolish the several rates now in force; that the present occupations be allowed to continue until next November at the present rates and thereafter be charged at Rs. 5 rate; that, with regard to Tank Bunder, west of the west frontage of Quay Street, the present occupations, which are at the rate of Rs. 2 1-2 per stick, should continue for some time longer, but that new occupations should be at the uniform rate of Rs. 3 per stick; that the west frontage of Quay Street and east-ward should be charged Rs. 5 per stick for all occupations instead of Rs. 4 as at present—new occupations to be charged the higher rate; and adding that such large sums of money have of late been spent at Mazagon and Tank Bunder in improvements; that the Trustees should have a better return in revenue: and estimating that the proposed change in rates will bring in an increase in revenue of not less than Rs. 4000 per year. Read minute by the Chairman, dated 8th June 1898 concurred in by the other members of the Land and Railways Committee, proposing to levy one uniform rate of Rs. 5 per 500 square feet for all occupation on monthly tenancy for all classes of occupation on the Mazagon Reclamation, whether for storage of materials or temporary buildings, &c.; the changes to have effect from the 1st December 1898 as regards all existing occupations, and to be applied at once to all new occupations.

Resolution.—The recommendation of the Land and Railways Committee is approved. Orders on the Traffic Manager's proposals regarding the rates at Tank Bunder will be issued later on.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table:—

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 10th June 1898.	Total from 1st April to 10th June 1898.	For week ending 10th June 1897.	Total from 1st April to 10th June 1897.
Vessels piloted into harbour	21	224	21	170
" piloted out of harbour	19	218	19	165
" transported	22	204	9	91
" attended to	5	34	4	17
" warped	2	18	1	17

THE HOME LIFE AT HAWARDEN.

THE *Liverpool Daily Post* publishes a page of "Notes from the Diary of an Admirer of Mr. Gladstone." They are extremely interesting as the following quotations will show:

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE COLD AND RAIN.

The Diarist, writing of some friends, says: When they arrived at Hawarden they found Mr. Gladstone was away at the library in the village, and so went off to see him there. He found Mr. Gladstone very busy. There was a sort of open stove in the middle of the room with a chimney going thorough the roof. The stove was producing a little heat for a distance of a yard or two round it, but ——found the place so cold that he had first to put on his overcoat, and afterwards his hat, in order to keep himself warm while close to the stove. Mr. Gladstone was right away from it in a corner of the room, without either overcoat or hat, ——asked him if he wasn't cold, and he said, Oh, no, not when he was at work, and there he was with armsful of books arranging them on his shelves with the greatest activity, according to subjects, &c.

At lunch Mr. Gladstone was as lively as usual.

He asked——what impressions he had derived from Lord Salisbury's speech at Birmingham. —— was rather waiting to hear what he thought, and Mr. Gladstone said, "Oh! there is such a lot of small print I cannot read it all, I am obliged to gather up my impressions from others."

When —— was going away Mr. Gladstone drove him, through sharp rain and bitter cold, in a sort of phaeton with a rumble and a servant behind. Mr. Gladstone insisted on himself driving, and refused to allow——, who was beside him, to put up an umbrella. He said he liked the rain, and thought it did him good.

THE ONLY LEISURE HE HAD.

Someone said of Mr. Gladstone that he seemed to think a thing out while on his legs speaking. Bagehot said, "It's the only leisure he has."

GOOD ADVICE FOR AN M. P.

Mr. Gladstone said, apropos of some one (whom I did not catch): "A man who goes into Parliament" he obviously meant an able man—"ought to remember that he has twenty times as much power for evil as he has for good, and that he can make twenty times the effect when he is in the wrong than he can when he is right. This is always forgotten by men who go in for the applause of the other side. They think they are talking supreme wisdom. The applause really says nothing for them."

MRS. GLADSTONE'S OPEN DOOR.

While——and Mr. Gladstone were at Windsor together, ——went into his room to have some important talk on Irish matters. There was a door open, and —— proposed to shut it. "Oh, no," said Mr. Gladstone, "it's only my wife. I have been forty-five years in Cabinets, and she has known a great deal, and I never once knew her commit an indiscretion."

THE SACREDNESS OF MARRIAGE.

1888.—Asked me if I had read in the "Pall Mall Gazette" the interview with Mrs. Mona Caird. He thought it clever. Had told Stead (in reply to a request) that the subject was too great for him to say anything about. Then to me, solemnly: "It is indeed a great subject. I have long thought that the battle of Christianity will have to be fought around the sacredness of marriage. Only Christianity can save Society."

SIR ROBERT PEEL'S ACCIDENT.

Happened to mention the mistake of

WRITERS AND READERS.

SINCE Mr. Gladstone's death there has been quite a marked demand for his Gleanings. The same applies to the Psalter, for which, three years ago, he prepared an interesting concordance. The purpose of this publication, as Mr. Gladstone said himself, was to promote the special and separate use of the Psalter as a book of private devotion. There ought to be enough uncollected articles of Mr. Gladstone's later activities to make yet another volume of Gleanings.

Mr. Thomas Hardy is paying his usual early summer visit to London. He is said to have made considerable progress during the winter and spring with a long novel. The next volume from him, however, is likely to be one consisting of his unpublished short stories. It was suggested to Mr. Hardy some time ago that he should collect these. He will no doubt also revise them. It hardly needs to be stated that most of the stories relate to that part of England which Mr. Hardy has made his own—namely, Wessex.

The biography of William Terriss, who met such a tragic death, will be published within the next few days. It has been written by Mr. Tom Terriss and Mr. Terriss's old friend, Mr. A. J. Smythe. Mr. Terriss had a common-place book in which he preserved newspaper reports and articles referring to himself. This has been found of much value in the preparation of his life. There are also letters by him, and the illustrations make quite a small album. For frontispiece there is a photogravure portrait of Mr. Terriss as Henry VIII. at the Lyceum. Messrs. Constable publish the book.

Books which bear upon sport have always a good chance of finding a circulation in this country. An experienced bookseller declares that there is even hope for poetry which has that for a subject. A volume of Sporting Rhymes and Pictures is announced by Messrs. Kegan Paul. The poet is Mr. J. L. C. Booth, and he is in the happy position of being also his own artist. He signs and draws in pen and ink of many branches of sport—hunting, fishing, shooting, racing, and so on. His book will appear in the early autumn.

A travel-book on Ashantiland, by Mr. Austin Freeman, is to be published by Messrs. Constable. Mr. Freeman has lived and travelled in that country for about seven years, and here he set down his experiences and observations. He entitles them Life and Travel in Ashanti and Jaman, the last word referring to a territory which borders Ashanti. Mr. Freeman has much to say about Ashantiland, its people, its climate, and its natural qualities. In fine, he gives every information that his residence in Ashantiland has suggested as likely to be interesting. There will be many pictures from photographs and sketches.

Messrs. Putnam will issue in a few days a book which will afford us an intimate picture of the Southern States of America during the Civil War. It is an autobiography, the author being Dr. Toomer Porter, a fine representative of the old Southern aristocracy. He sold his hereditary plantation, with its equipment of slaves, in order to devote himself to the ministerial office. By contrast he passed through some of the most exciting scenes of the war. For one thing, he witnessed the shelling of Charleston. After the war Dr. Porter undertook the work of educating the children of the impoverished planters.

Several fresh points may be noted about the Gladstone life of which Messrs. Cassell are to commence the publication shortly. Sir Wemyss Reid's object has been to present in a moderate compass and in a popular form a comprehensive account of Mr. Gladstone's public and private career, and of his personal character. Many of his friends and former colleagues have been good enough to assist in this way—they have suggested and identified scenes associated with the different phases of his life. Great care has been taken in preparing the illustrations, which will go far wider than portraits of Mr. Gladstone and his contemporaries. The first part will have for frontispiece a photogravure of the portrait of the G. O. M. by Millais, now at Christ Church, Oxford.

American novelists have often complained that we did not read them, although English fiction was the mainstay of American readers. Things seem to be changing in this respect—at least, an increasing number of American novels are being brought out here. For example, Messrs. Constable have at this moment a couple almost ready for publication. One is the story of a diver—"Kaleb West, Master Diver"—and is by Mr. Hopkinson Smith. The other is a tale of dual identity, and is by a new writer—Miss Varna Woods. She entitles it "An Elusive Lover."

It is probable that a further volume of the posthumous works of Taine will be issued this year.—M. Leon Daudet's volume on his father, Alphonse Daudet, will be ready in a few days.—An historical work by Comte d'Haussonville, of the French Academy, will be published at once. Title and subject: "La Duchesse de Bourgogne et l'Alliance Savoyarde sous Louis XIV."—M Armand Charpentier, who has written two or three successful novels, is preparing a book on the marriage question. The volume will probably appear under the title "L'Evangile du Bonheur."

The second volume is ready of M. Arthur Chuquet's exhaustive study of the youth of Napoleon. It deals in particulars with Napoleon's doings in Corsica at the time of the revolution, and also with his early studies and writting.—Prince Nicolas D. Ghaika is about to publish a volume relating his travels in the Somali district of Africa. The work, which is to be illustrated, will contain a scientific appendix by MM. G. Schweinfurth and G. Volkens.—Several novels by well-known writers will appear shortly: "L'Amant de Genevieve," by Mme. Daniel Lesueur; Le Chercheur de Tares," by Catulle Mendes; "La Force de l'Amour," by Jean Reibrach; "Le Parfum des Iles Borromies," by Rene Boylesve, and "Il n'y a plus d'Iles Bienheureuses,' by the authoress who writes under the pseudonym of "Ossit."

The new volume, to be ready at once, in the six shilling Meredith will be "The Tragic Comedians," with a portrait of Lasalle, whose career suggested the book.—Messrs. Harper have nearly ready a volume, by Mr. Barry Pain, entitled "Willmay and Other Stories of Women."—Mr. Lane is just bringing out a story by Mr. Thomas Pinkerton, who will be remembered by many for an admirable dog story, "Blizzard." His present volume is called "Sun Beetles," with the sub-title "A comedy of nicknameland."

"Dinkimbar" is an Australian story with an English interest, which Messrs. Constable are to publish. The author is Mr. Herbert Maciwaine.—Mrs. Humphry Ward's new novel will be ready in a few days.—Mr. Heinemann is publishing "Boule de Suif, from the French of Maupassant, with illustrations by Francois Thevenot.—Mr. John Long will publish at once a psychological work by Mr. Charles J. H. Halcombe entitled, "The Love of a former Life." The Russian Censor has no reconsideration, withdrawn the interdict against Mr. James M. Graham's romance, "The Son of the Czar," which is now permitted therefore to circulate in the empire.

Mr. Bret Harte's volume, Some Later Verses, will be soon ready, Messrs. Chatto being the publishers. Mr. Justin McCarthy has just finished several additional chapters which are to be incorporated in the new edition of his "Story of Gladstone's Life. In the course of this month another volume will be added to Messrs. Longman's Fur, Feather and Fin series—namely, one on the trout, by the Marquis of Granby. It will have illustrations from photographs.—Mr. Murray has almost ready a new edition, revised throughout, of Rear Admiral Sir William Wharton's work on hydrographical surveying. Sir William is the hydrographer to the Admiralty. Dr. Yorke-Davies has revised and largely re-written his book on the dietetic cure of corpulency, for a new edition which Messrs. Chatto are bringing out.—A new poem "The Revelation of St. Love the Divine," by Mr. F. B. Money Coutts will be published next week by Mr. Lane. Mr. Coutts's portrait by Professor Herkomer is in the Royal Academy this year.

Mr. Justin McCarthy has just added several new chapters to his Story of Gladstone's Life. The new edition, incorporating this additional matter will be published next week by Messrs. A. and C. Black, Soho-square.

Mr. George Allen is beginning his publication of the new and cheap edition of Ruskin's "Stones of Venice." The original text and illustrations are reproduced. Between fullpage plates and woodcuts the first volume, "The Foundations," contains nearly a hundred illustrations. The second volume, Sea Stories, and the third and last, The Fall, will be published next autumn.

Mrs. Sarah Grand's stepson, Mr H. MacFall, has written a story with the following exhaustive title: The Woolings of Jezebel Pettyfer being the personal history of Jehu Sennacherib Dyle, commonly called Mesheen Dyle; together with an account of certain things that chanced in the house of the Sorcerer. The story, to be issued by Mr. Grant Richards, is an attempt to paint the West Indian negro as he really is, and not as the burlesque drama exhibits him. Mr. MacFall aims at giving his readers negro views of life, negro religious ideas, negro prejudices and superstitions. The hero of the story is a Zouave. Mr. MacFall, by the way, served in a Zouave regiment. The chief characters in the story are negroes. And the free love philosphers are shown up.

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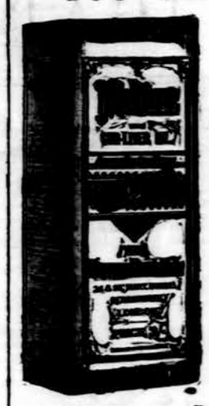

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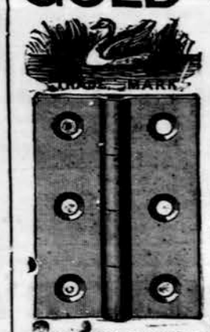

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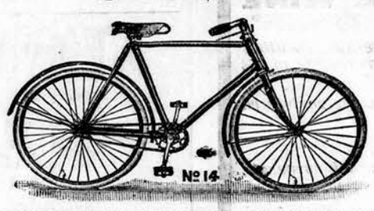

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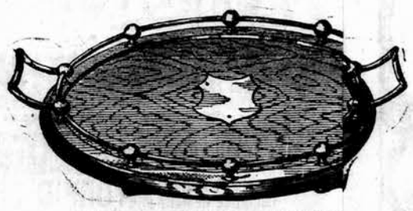

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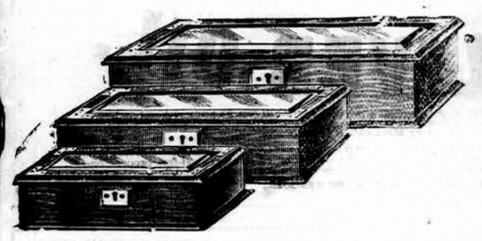

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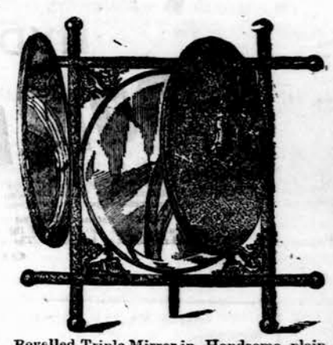

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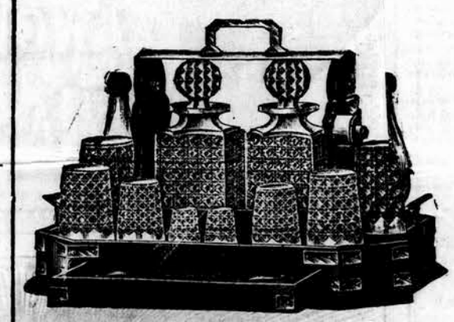

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